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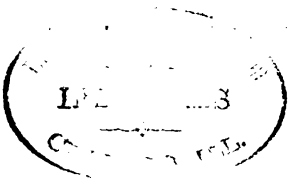

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City of Pittsfield.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-SEVEN.

AN ORDER.

In Board of Aldermen. February 1st, 1897.

ORDERED: That the joint Committee on Printing, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to have printed five hundred copies of the annual reports of the various city officers and departments for the year 1896, in such style and manner as the committee may deem proper; also, that the aforesaid committee have printed three hundred copies of the manual of the city government of the current municipal year, together with the rules and orders of the same, in such style as they may direct; and it is further ordered that said committee have printed such additional number of separate reports as may be deemed necessary by the several boards and officers issuing the same, and approved by said committee on printing.

Adopted in Board of Aldermen. February 1, 1897
Adopted in Common Council, February 3, 1897.
Approved by the Mayor, February 4, 1897.

EDWARD C. HILL, *City Clerk.*

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CITY COUNCIL, 1897.

MAYOR—WALTER F. HAWKINS.

ALDERMEN—President, George W. Smith; Ward One, Henry A. Francis; Ward Two, George H. Brodie; Ward Three, George W. Smith; Ward Four, William D. MacInnes; Ward Five, John N. Robbins; Ward Six, Patrick J. Moore; Ward Seven, Edwin A. Talbot.

CLERK—Edward C. Hill.

COMMON COUNCIL—President, Levi A. Stevens; Ward One, Charles H. Daniels, Maurice J. Madden; Ward Two, Charles M. Markham, Joseph J. St. James; Ward Three, William H. Owen, B. Frank Mills; Ward Four, Levi A. Stevens, Hezekiah S. Russell; Ward Five, Henry F. Myers, John C. Morrow; Ward Six, Charles Frank, Arthur Cowlin; Ward Seven, Daniel England, Charles H. Wright.

CLERK—John H. Eells.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

ACCOUNTS—Aldermen MacInnes and Robbins, Councilmen England, St. James and Mills.

ALMSHOUSE AND POOR—Aldermen Smith and Talbot, Councilmen Morrow, Frank and Owen.

ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES—Alderman Moore, Councilmen Mills and Wright.

CLAIMS—The Mayor, Aldermen Brodie and Robbins, the President, Councilmen Markham and Russell.

FINANCE—The Mayor, Aldermen Francis and MacInnes, the President, Councilmen England, Russell, Morrow and Wright.

FIRE DEPARTMENT—Aldermen Smith and MacInnes, Councilmen Russell, Markham and England.

FUEL AND STREET LIGHTS—Aldermen Robbins and Francis, Councilmen Markham, Cowlin and Owen.

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HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES AND CULVERTS—Aldermen MacInnes and Talbot, Councilmen Madden, St. James and Owen.

ORDINANCES—Aldermen Robbins and Francis, Councilmen Daniels, Frank and Wright.

PRINTING—Aldermen Brodie and MacInnes, Councilmen Madden, Morrow and Owen.

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION—Aldermen Moore and Smith, Councilmen St. James, Morrow and Frank.

PUBLIC PROPERTY—Aldermen Brodie and Talbot, Councilmen Daniels, Markham and Meyer.

SALARIES—Aldermen Francis and Moore, Councilmen England, Meyer and Wright.

SEWERS AND MAIN DRAINS—Aldermen Brodie and Moore, Councilmen Cowlin, Daniels and Mills.

WATER—Aldermen MacInnes and Robbins, the President, Councilmen Russell and Meyer.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

ELECTIONS AND RETURNS—Aldermen Robbins and Smith.

ENROLLED ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS—Aldermen Moore and Talbot.

LICENSES, WEIGHTS AND MEASURES—Aldermen Brodie and Talbot.

POLICE—The Mayor, Aldermen Moore and Smith.

ELECTRIC WIRES—Aldermen Francis and Brodie.

STATE AND MILITARY AID AND SOLDIERS' RELIEF—Aldermen Talbot and Smith.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

ELECTIONS AND RETURNS—Councilmen Meyer, Daniels and St. James.

ENROLLED ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS—Councilmen Cowlin, Madden and Mills.

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CITY OFFICERS.

MAYOR—Walter F. Hawkins.

CITY CLERK—Edward C. Hill.

CITY TREASURER—Erwin H. Kennedy.

CITY AUDITOR—George Y. Learned.

CITY SOLICITOR—John F. Noxon.

CITY PHYSICIAN—Dr. W. M. Mercer.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—Frank R. Strong.

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS—Edward J. Cowell.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES—E. A. Talbot.

ASSESSORS—William M. Clark, Harry D. Sisson, Albert W. Shaw.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS—Edward D. G. Jones, John H. Manning, James L. Bacon.

CLERK OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS—Arthur N. French.

INSPECTOR AND COLLECTOR—Louis Cummings.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS—John M. Hatch.

ENGINEER OF PUBLIC WORKS—Arthur A. Fobes.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS—Jason N. Shepardson.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SIDEWALKS—Joseph Biladeau.

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AGENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH—Edward C. Hill.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR—John W. Clark, William Nugent, Charles D. Beebe.

SUPERINTENDENT OF POOR—William Dimick.

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSE—William Shaw.

COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUND—James M. Barker, Irving D. Ferrey, Henry W. Taft.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS—James Kittle, Dwight M. Couch, Edward Cain, Edward C. Hill.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINERS—Joseph Tucker, Morris Schaff, Dr. S. C. Burton.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CHIEF OF POLICE—John Nicholson.
CAPTAIN—Michael Leonard.
KEEPER OF LOCKUP—John Nicholson.
POLICE MATRON—Sarah M. Dean.
PATROLMEN—Louis O. Bastion, George E. Chapman, James S. Creelan, James F. Dean, Michael Fahey, Daniel P. Flynn, Dennis Hogan, John Hudner, Peter M. LaMore, David J. Mangan, William H. Marshall, Henchel A. Stubbs, Charles W. Thompson, William Tobin, William W. Van de Bogart, William G. White.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

CHIEF ENGINEER—William F. Francis.
FIRST ASSISTANT—John J. Powers.
SECOND ASSISTANT—George H. Frey.
THIRD ASSISTANT—John Howieson.
STEWARD—Bartley Cummings.

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ADDRESS

OF

Hon. Walter F. Hawkins,

MAYOR.

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Mayor's Address.

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL:—

The past year has been a period of exceptional industrial depression, and one in which ordinary municipal burdens would have seemed unusually heavy. As a matter of fact the weight of these burdens was absolutely, as well as relatively, greater than in preceeding years, and the tax-payer's complaint was more than ordinarily serious and sincere. We shall disappoint the people's expectations if we fail to bear these facts in mind. On the other hand, it would be idle to refuse to look in the face the conditions that confront us and to seek to deceive the public with promises of tax reduction impossible of fulfilment. I do not see how any material decrease in our municipal expenditure can reasonably be looked for at present. The greater part of the increase in the budget of 1896 over that of the preceding year was in the debt and interest account, which will show no diminution for the coming year. Our debt will steadily increase until completion of the school buildings now in process. The appropriations made last year for ordinary expenses, though in some instances larger than before, do not seem excessive in view of the city's growth and of the increased demand for public improvements and conveniences which that growth has naturally entailed. We shall not be justified in seeking for ourselves a fleeting reputation for extreme economy at the expense of coming years.

Our wiser policy would seem to be, not to neglect the city's reasonable needs, but to decline to enter on any experimental project that would impose on the people an additional burden of debt and which can be postponed until its need is more apparent. It has been suggested that the city provide itself an electric lighting plant, a step which I should regret to see taken. I am skeptical of any benefits arising from the proposal, particularly in view of the statutory regulations governing

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municipal lighting, and believe that we shall do better to wait until a longer experience of those cities which are now making the experiment furnishes a clearer test of its desirability. In any case, a trial would be expensive, and until our schoolhouses are finished and our school debt funded we should try to avoid opening a new debt account. For the same reason, I should be reluctant to approve a plan for paving North street. Such a measure has, I know, been somewhat strongly urged, but it has also been strongly opposed by citizens whose judgment and experience entitle their opinions to weight. Until there shall be a more substantial accord in the views of the local public on this question, we may well hesitate to indulge in the costly luxury of pavement. Macadam roads, when well made and kept in proper repair, offer many advantages and need not be very expensive to maintain. Those that we have, have not, unfortunately, been kept in proper repair, and the surfaces of many of them have been allowed to become so thoroughly wasted and impaired as to render them almost intolerable. If you shall succeed in devising some means of supplying the want that has been so painfully apparent in this respect, you will perform a useful service to the city.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The city's liabilities to-day are as follows:—

School Loan,	$213,350 00
Water Loan,	296,300 00
Sewer Loan,	252,000 00
Temporary Loans unpaid,	20,000 00
Total,	$781,650 00

Disregarding the temporary loans, which are to be paid from the overdue taxes for 1896, and comparing our condition with that of a year ago,—disregarding for the same reason the temporary loans then unpaid,—we find a net increase in the city's total indebtedness of $111,950.00. This is wholly due to our expenditure for new schoolhouses. The water debt remains where it was a year ago; for while we have issued notes aggregating $19,000 to pay extensions of the water mains, we

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have paid on account of our water debt the same sum of $19,000, which we are required by existing laws to pay annually towards extinction of the water debt, and which is $11,000 in excess of the amount paid for similar purposes in previous years The sewer debt during the past year has been reduced by $22,000.00.

The assessors of taxes return the following figures:—

Valuation of Real Estate, 1896,	$11,130,635 00
Valuation of Personal Estate, 1896,	3,241,891 00
Total,	$14,372,526 00
Increase over valuation of 1895,	616,544 00

Tax rate per $1,000 for 1896:—

For State Tax,	$ 26	
" County Tax,	1 09	
" City Debt and Interest,	5 01	
" City Expenses,	11 14	
		$17 50

A comparison of the foregoing statement with that of a year ago, shows that the tax rate per thousand for 1896 was increased of over that of 1895 by the following items:—

For State Tax,	$ 08
" City Debt and Interest,	86
" City Expenses,	26
	$1 20

THE NEW SCHOOLHOUSES.

The action of the city council in 1895 definitely committed the city to the policy of carrying the four new school buildings to completion in substantial accordance with the designs then accepted. It was the endeavor of the committee in charge of the new school buildings last year to make such minor modifications in the accepted plans as should lessen the cost without impairing the strength or architectural fitness of the structures. Further than this it was not found practicable to go. The design of the new high school has been particularly subject to criticism on the part of the tax-payers as they have begun to realize the magnitude of its ultimate cost. Early last year, at

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the time when its foundations were ordered rebuilt, it was suggested that it might be advisable to abandon the proposed structure and to begin anew on a radically different and much less costly plan. The committee gave careful thought to this suggestion, and found that because of contracts already made and of the large amount of material specially designed for the contemplated building, and at that time either finished or in process, the proposed change would be likely to result in a comparatively small saving in money and in an immense sacrifice of beauty and convenience, while necessarily diminishing the capacity of the school. It seemed to the committee that, whether wisely or unwisely, the city had then gone too far to retreat, and that the sole useful functions of the committee was to use its best efforts towards insuring strict performance of existing contracts.

What seems to have been an unfortunate feature of the high school situation was that the contract for its construction should have been let and work begun on the building under an appropriation, which, in view of the plans adopted, was absurdly inadequate. The general impression was that the building was to cost no more than the $135,000 appropriated, and the $30,000 addition which the council of last year was forced to make came as an unpleasant surprise to a large part of the public. The same thing was true of the additional appropriation of $9,000 for the Elizabeth street school. By those, however, who had thoughtfully considered the situation these additional appropriations were foreseen to be inevitable. A year ago, in my message to the city council, I tried to make it clear that in order to render the buildings fit for occupancy provision must be made for heating, plumbing and other costly incidentals, thus largely swelling the ultimate cost. It is to be hoped that we may be able to complete the unfinished schools without any material addition to the present appropriations, but the money appropriated has been borrowed from time to time only as required and there still remains, under existing appropriations, a considerable sum to be added to the school debt.

The six-room grammar school at West and John streets has been an ill fated building. The contract for its construction

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was let in 1895 to the Enterprise Company, of New York, which subsequently became insolvent and went into the hands of a receiver. Owing to the Company's financial embarrassment, its officers were unable to devote sufficient time to supervision of the work and were without sufficient funds to pay for labor and materials. Progress of construction was delayed, much faulty work was done, and the building was insufficiently guarded from the weather. Early last year it was insufficiently guarded from the weather. Early last year it was found that frost had shattered the walls and that the structure would have to be substantially rebuilt. The Enterprise Company's contract was cancelled, and proposals invited for taking down and rebuilding the schoolhouse, using whatever materials on hand might be found suitable for the purpose, according to the original design, modified however, by a list of changes in the specifications which was formulated by the building committee with a view to cheapening the cost. The new contract was awarded to N. L. Cain, of Holyoke, who did admirable work in building the Elizabeth street schoolhouse, but who has, I regret to say, disappointed the committee by the slow progress he has made in rebuilding the West street school. It has been found necessary to take down and rebuild the entire outside walls, but all but inconsiderable portions of the interior walls have been saved.

Work on the high school was suspended during the winter of 1896; and when the time drew near for its resumption the foundation walls appeared defective. The contractors contended that they had fulfilled the letter of the specifications, and the committee, feeling that the foundation is the last point where it is safe to take risks, sought expert advice. The experts consulted, among whom were Prof. Greene of Troy and Engineer Tower, of Dalton, were unanimous in condemnation of the foundations. Acting on this advice the committee ordered the foundations removed and rebuilt in a manner satisfactory to the experts. I am glad to be able to say that, since then, the work has for the most part proceeded in a satisfactory manner.

The building committee of last year early reached the conclusion that the unfortunate conditions I have described in

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relation to the West street and High schools would not have been likely to occur if the city had arranged from the outset to employ a competent expert to supervise their construction. With the hope of avoiding similar disaster thereafter the committee enlisted the aid of Mr. Bedell, whose useful service to the committee and whose personal interest and zeal in the city's behalf it gives me pleasure to commend, and who, I trust, will continue to assist us until the two remaining buildings are completed. I am aware that there are those who criticise this arrangement and who grumble over payment of a salary for inspection, but I am thoroughly convinced that this view is short-sighted and that few expenditures which the city makes are so productive of economical results as a reasonable allowance for efficient supervision. When we consider the magnitude of our appropriations for new schoolhouses, the number and complexity of the technical questions involved in the contracts relating to them, and the importance of getting the full value of the money we are so lavishly spending, it seems to me folly to grudge the very moderate salary that we employ to such good advantage.

The city's total debt for these four school houses can be only approximately estimated at present. We have, first, the grammar school at Russell's, which has been completed and occupied since the beginning of the fall term, and has cost in all $31,755.30. Of this total, $805.30 was paid last month out of the appropriation for current miscellaneous expenses, leaving a balance to be carried to the school debt of $30,950. Next comes the Elizabeth street school, which has also been occupied since the beginning of the fall term, and which has cost to date $36,937.16. There still remain balances unadjusted on several contracts relating to this building, and the city has not yet bought and put in place the electric motor which is a necessary part of its ventilating system. It is believed that these matters can be arranged without exceeding the appropriation of $39,000. The total appropriations for the unfinished West street school amount to $34,000, and those for the High school, exclusive of money borrowed for its site, to $163,000. A loan of $1400 has been authorized for furniture

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for the Russell's school and one of $1500 for the Elizabeth street school.

The school debt will therefore be something as follows:—

Russell's school,	$ 30,950.00
Elizabeth street school,	39,000.00
West street school,	34,000.00
High school,	163,000.00
Land for High School,	19,400.00
Furniture for Russell's school,	1,400.00
Furniture for Elizabeth street school,	1,500.00
	$ 289,250.00

In addition to the foregoing we shall have to provide for furniture for the West street and High schools, and the latter is likely to be a very considerable item. Pittsfield's general debt limit to-day is $340,000, and it appears that this school account will bring us perilously near that limit. I recommend an early application to the legislature for the passage of an act which shall authorize us to fund this debt and shall exempt it, say to the amount of $300,000, from the provision of law limiting the city's indebtedness. I suggest this latter provision not for the purpose of enabling us to plunge recklessly into debt on some other account, but in order that we may not be left helpless, with impaired credit, in the event of such contingencies as might easily arise.

WATER SUPPLY.

The abundant rainfalls of the past season dispelled the fears of a possible water famine entertained something over a year ago. We seem now to have no reason to apprehend immediate danger, but I am inclined to renew the suggestion made in my last annual message that we should take advantage of present favorable conditions to devise a plan for ultimate enlargement of the water system and thus avoid the risk at having some hastily considered and costly expedient forced upon us by pressure of imminent want. Should it be found practicable to enlarge the water shed of Ashley Lake by diverting surface waters that now run to waste in other directions and so materially to increase our storage capacity, we should gain

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results impossible to obtain in any other way for anything like the same expenditure. I believe this project, if proved feasible, would receive the sanction of the State board of health. Before passing on the question, however, that board will require information on three points to be determined by surveys,—the capacity of Ashley Lake, the area of its present water shed and the area of such adjoining territory as can be made tributary to it. The first question has been answered by surveys made within the year, and the present capacity of the lake found to be 241,000,000 gallons. I recommend that the two remaining questions be determined without delay.

A step of first importance in development of the system is an enlargement of the distributing reservoir. Engineering estimates made last year indicate that a stone dam ten feet higher than the present one can be built at an approximate cost of $30,000, with a storage capacity of about 8,500,000 gallons; and that an earth dam with stone core can be built at a similar height, but lower down the stream, at an approximate cost of $35,000 and with a capacity of 13,000,000 gallons. The capacity of the present reservoir is about 1,000,000 gallons or less than a day's supply. Whether or not it is deemed advisable to begin actual work of this kind this year, I think determination of the best measure to adopt and the disposal of necessary preliminaries ought not to be further postponed.

The legislature of 1896 authorized the city to appropriate the waters of May and Smith brooks, in the west part of the city, and residents of West street have requested the city council to accept the act and take the waters. To be of service to buildings on further West street, the dam on either of these streams would be so much higher than our other dams as to require a pressure regulator for connection with our present system; and, since storage on these brooks is impracticable, and their daily flow is small in dry seasons. appropriation of their waters would furnish an insignificant addition to the city's general supply. There is on the other hand the consideration that the project seems to offer the only practicable means of furnishing water to the property in the westerly part of the city. The estimated cost of taking May brook, exclusive of land damages, is $21,000.

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SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

The state board of health, in approving our new sewerage system, directed that on or before June 1st, 1900, some method of disposing of the sewage should be adopted in place of discharging it into the river. The report of the board of public works will no doubt deal somewhat fully with this problem. It is important that whatever system is finally chosen shall be such as to give permanent satisfaction, since a large expenditure will necessarily be involved. Investigation of various methods in use elsewhere and comparison of their respective advantages, ought not to be postponed much longer.

UNFINISHED HIGHWAY WORK.

Certain highway improvements were undertaken last year which await completion at our hands. The plan of improvement adopted for Pontoosuc avenue in 1895 provided for work the cost of which was estimated at $11,000, exclusive of claims made for land damages. Only a small part was done that year and the city council of 1896 was unwilling to continue on what seemed the needlessly costly plan contemplated. After hearing the parties interested, a new grade was established less expensive to work, and wavers of land damage were obtained from the abutters, except in one or two instances where agreements were made for raising houses in conformity with the new grade. About $3,200 was spent last year, and the work accomplished to date consists mainly of a new steel bridge over the river, an iron cylinder and wing walls at the canal, provision for surface drainage, raising the houses mentioned above, and a limited amount of work on the street itself. Something like $1,500 will probably be required this year to put the street in final shape.

$1,750 was expended in regrading and widening Peck's road from Wahconah street to Peck's lower mill. The traveled road was formerly far at one side of the legal location of the street and is now restored to a centre location. It will probably cost from $1,000 to $1,200 to continue this work as far as

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Lake avenue, to which point the land owners and residents on the street are anxious to have the improvement extended. This estimate includes no provision for substituting new bridges for the somewhat narrow ones now in place.

Residents of High street and of Dawes and Appleton avenues have urged that some expenditure be made on those streets, particularly near their intersection with one another. Present conditions there are certainly susceptible of improvement and I shall be glad if some plan can be devised satisfactory to the parties interested and capable of being carried out at moderate cost.

POLICE STATION.

The present accommodations of the police station are insufficient for the reasonable needs of the department. Its available space is entirely too small, and many indispensable conveniences are lacking. The reports of the chief of police and of the city physician will explain in detail the conditions which have long been unsatisfactory, and have become intolerable with the annually increasing number of arrests. Last year nearly four thousand tramps were lodged at the station. The chief and his officers have borne the situation with commendable patience, and the efficiency of their service is doubly creditable in view of the discomforts and annoyances to which they are subjected. I believe that any citizen who will take the trouble to inspect the station house will be convinced of the imperative need of its enlargement and suitable equipment. I recommend your early consideration of the matter.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

I recommend revision of the city ordinance regulating the fire department. During the past year I have become thoroughly convinced that the board of engineers is a feature of the system which may advantageously be dispensed with. The efficiency and discipline of the department can best be promoted by placing its immediate government under the charge of a single officer, who shall be made directly responsi-

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ble to the fire department committee and the city council. The present system imposes a divided responsibility and makes it difficult, in case of mismanagement, to enable the city council justly to apportion the blame. With a single head, responsibility can readily be fixed, and the results obtained from the department as a whole can be made a decisive test of the fitness and capacity of its chief to an extent that is now impracticable and unjust, when authority is divided among a board of four members. I do not intend to criticize the personal conduct or to question the ability of the present members of the board of engineers. It is the system itself which is at fault. I venture to say that the police department could never have attained its present admirable state of discipline and usefulness had its immediate government, instead of being entrusted to a single officer, been vested in a board consisting of a chief and several assistants. I recommend a revision of the ordinance, that shall provide for a chief engineer, who shall be required to devote his entire time to the duties of his office, and for one assistant engineer, or deputy, who shall take the chief's place when the latter is absent, and act as his lieutenant when present. There seems to be no reasons why the functions now exercised in case of fires by the assistant engineers, may not very well devolve upon the foremen or captains of the several companies, whose office would thus be increased in responsibility and importance.

The system I suggest is now in successful operation in many cities of the Commonwealth, and the tendency appears to have been toward substituting it for the older methods in those cities whose ordinances have received recent revision. In former years, when the department consisted of a few companies composed wholly of volunteers, and each with its representative on the board of engineers, the existing arrangement was appropriate, and even necessary, and the board practically constituted a representative committee for the management of the department.

But in view of the growth of the department and of its present status as an important branch of our municipal service, a board of engineers appears to me an obsolete institution. Since the city council, and especially the mayor and

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aldermen, are responsible to the people for effective results from the department, it is eminently desirable to diminish all possible occasion of needless complication. I recommend your early consideration of this matter, in order that, if the suggestion I make shall commend itself to your approval, provision may be made for putting it in operation early in the present year.

ELECTRIC WIRES.

Last year an ordinance authorizing underground conduits for the maintenance of electric wires received the sanction of the aldermen, but failed to meet the approval of the common council. The system has been successfully tried in many of the Massachusetts cities, and offers so many apparent advantages that I am disposed to suggest your consideration of the matter. Perhaps the ordinance reported last year can be so modified as to meet some of the objections offered to its passage. Whatever action may be deemed wise in relation to underground conduits, I recommend, in view of the increasing number of overhead wires, the adoption of regulations similar to those in force in many other cities, designed to prevent interference between wires maintained by different companies and to promote public safety.

CHARTER REVISION.

There seems to be a strong public sentiment in favor of revising the city charter. I think it capable of decided improvement by radical alteration, but I believe so thoroughly that the preparation of a satisfactory draft is a task requiring very considerable time, a large amount of patient study, deliberate consideration and full discussion, that I should vastly prefer retention of the present charter, with all its faults, to the adoption of some hastily drawn substitute. Continual tinkering at the charter is highly undesirable; when a new one is determined on, it should be so drawn as to offer some prospect of reasonable permanence; and no revision is likely to prove satisfactory for any considerable length of time unless

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public opinion is freely consulted during its preparation and is in substantial agreement as to its main features.

CONCLUSION.

As agents of the people our aim should be to carry out the people's wishes. To ascertain these correctly is a matter of some difficulty. Our citizens are by no means a unit on questions of municipal policy and it is not always easy to distinguish the wiser public sentiment from that which is hasty and ill considered. Whatever agencies may operate to put us from time to time more closely in touch with public opinion as to the important questions with which we have to deal, should tend to make those questions easier for our solution. It has been suggested that the local board of trade might, in some degree, co-operate with the city government. Personally I shall be glad at any time to confer with committees of that board and with representatives of other organizations and enterprises concerned in Pittsfield's industrial and municipal development. Such, I have no doubt, will be the disposition of the several council committees. The main problems of muncipal administration are purely business problems, and the counsel of men experienced in affairs should aid us in attacking them. Besides the practical assistance we might hope for from such a practice, it should tend to stimulate the people's interest in questions of local government and to enlarge their intelligent perception of them. It should tend to lessen the volume of undiscriminating and unmerited criticism, so freely bestowed on city officers and councils. We can hardly expect wholly to avoid errors, and intelligent criticism, however distasteful, will no doubt be wholesome for us; but that kind of criticism which is based on misconception of facts and ignorance of conditions will neither accomplish much towards helping us mend our ways nor contribute anything of value to the development of municipal science. Since a proper administration of our trust is of direct concern to the citizens, is it not fitting that we should bespeak their encouragement and support; should seek to enlist their active assistance in place of indifference or

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hostility; and should urge their co-operation, so far as may be, in furtherance of the common interest we have at heart in the advancement of Pittsfield's material well-being and in the preservation of her good repute?

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SKETCH OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL.

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School Department.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1896.

HON. WALTER F. HAWKINS, MAYOR,

CHAIRMAN EX-OFFICIO.

WILLIAM B. RICE,

CHAIRMAN IN ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

WILLIAM NUGENT,

SECRETARY.

EUGENE BOUTON, PH. D.,

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

MEMBERS:

		RESIDENCE.	TERM EXPIRES.
Ward 1—	JOHN WELDON,	Crane Avenue,	1897.
	J. H. SMITH,	West Street,	1897.
Ward 2—	Dr. WM. M. MERCER,	142 First Street.	1897.
	ED. H. BRIDGMAN,	Dalton Road,	1897.
Ward 3—	F. F. READ,	409 Fenn Street,	1899.
	F. R. STRONG,	201 Fenn Street,	1899.
Ward 4—	WM. L. ADAM,	16 West Housatonic St.	1899.
	H. H. BALLARD,	247 South Street,	1899.
Ward 5—	F. A. SMITH,	Stearnsville,	1898.
	WILLIAM NUGENT,	76 Elizabeth Street,	1898.
Ward 6—	J. M. LINNEHAN,	306 West Street,	1898.
	JOHN HAYDEN,	631 North Street,	1898.
Ward 7—	WM. B. RICE,	98 Union Street,	1899.
	CARL HYDREN,	41 Daniels Avenue,	1897.

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Standing Committees.

1896.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—W. B. Rice, Dr. W. M. Mercer, F. A. Smith.

BUILDINGS AND SITES—F. F. Read, F. A. Smith, J. M. Linnehan.

TEXT BOOKS—H. H. Ballard, W. L. Adam, W. B. Rice.

MUSIC AND DRAWING—W. L. Adam, F. R. Strong, Carl Hydren.

EVENING SCHOOLS—F. R. Strong, William Nugent, John Weldon.

HIGH SCHOOL—W. L. Adam, H. H. Ballard, J. M Linnehan.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS—Wm. B. Rice, E. H. Bridgman, F. R. Strong.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS—Dr. W. M. Mercer, Carl Hydren, John Weldon.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS—F. A. Smith, F. F. Read, John Hayden.

RURAL SCHOOLS—William Nugent, E. H. Bridgman, J. H. Smith.

TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTION—W. B. Rice, Dr. W. M. Mercer, F. A. Smith, W. L. Adam, William Nugent.

FUEL COMMITTEE—F. F. Read, John Hayden, J. H. Smith.

REPRESENTATIVE IN MEETINGS OF CITY COUNCIL—W. L. Adam.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO ACT WITH COMMITTEE OF CITY COUNCIL, BUILDING NEW SCHOOLHOUSES—F. A. Smith, William Nugent, F. F. Read.

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School Committee's Report.

To the Mayor and City Council of Pittsfield :

The School Committee of Pittsfield having accepted the appended Report of the Superintendent of Schools for the year 1896, respectfully refers your honorable body to said report for all details of school attendance, work, and management.

The completion and occupation of two of the new school buildings have afforded complete relief from overcrowding at those points, and when the ill-starred Briggs building shall be completed, relief will come to the crowds of children at the Linden Street Building.

The schools at Stearnsville were closed during several weeks of the fall term by order of the Board of Health on account of diphtheria. The schools at the Fenn Street Building are at present closed by order of the same Board and for the same reason.

Of course this summary closing of the schools is attended by great loss and damage, pecuniary and educational, and if necessary in the interest of the public health is to be borne with becoming fortitude. But if such vigorous and energetic measures are needful as a last resort, why not obviate the necessity for them by the prompt and complete isolation of the first cases that show evidence of the disease?

Being only laymen, we make this suggestion with diffidence.

We are informed that the Board of Health claims that it has no power to enforce such isolation and no funds at its disposal to secure the ends for which the Board is created.

When diphtheria showed itself in the city of Salem, the city placed upon every infected house a proper notice, placed a guard over it, cutting off all ingress and egress, and supplied food to the inmates. Either the Salem Board of Health greatly exceeded its legitimate powers, or our Board is too modest in its assertion of authority, if, as may fairly be assumed, they act under the same statutes.

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The question of the establishment of one or more public Kindergartens has been before this Committee for several years. The success attending two schools of this character in this city, one maintained at the expense of its patrons, the other by the Pittsfield Kindergarten Association, commends them to candid consideration. "The Kindergarten lies at the foundation of all education," said Pres. Hyde a few days ago in a public address on the Province of the Public School. So say prominent educators all over the land. This very week, on the notable occasion of the 86th birthday of the Hon. Henry Barnard of Conn., the first Commissioner of Education in America, among the many things said in his honor by the many distinguished men there present, and regarded as especially to his credit, was the fact that he was the first to introduce the Kindergarten to the attention of the American public.

These schools have been established in many cities, and wherever established they maintain their hold on the public favor. In our sister city of Springfield some of these schools form a part of the public school system, and the public demand for them outruns the city's appropriation for this purpose, and an association has recently been formed to supplement the provision for these schools.

We therefore believe we are acting for the best interests of this city in recommending an appropriation of ——— dollars for the equipment and maintenance of one or more public Kindergartens.

It is estimated that for the maintenance of the public schools during the year 1897, including salaries of teachers, care of the school buildings, fuel, books, supplies, transportation of pupils, and incidental expenses the sum of 79,000 dollars is needed, and we accordingly ask for the appropriation of that sum for that purpose.

W. B. RICE,
W. L. ADAM,
W. K. RICE,
JOHN HAYDEN,
J. M. LINNEHAN,
F. A. SMITH,
JOHN WELDON,
E. H. BRIDGMAN.

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I approve the above report except the part asking for an appropriation for Kindergartens at this time.

WILLIAM NUGENT.

Pittsfield, January, 1897.

MINORITY REPORT.

To the Mayor and City Council of Pittsfield:

The undersigned members of the School Committee of Pittsfield, while in cordial agreement with the majority of said Committee on all other matters, beg to submit the following considerations in regard to the question of the Kindergarten.

1. It appears from the Report of the Superintendent of Schools, and from the Report of the majority of the School Committee that in order properly to carry on the work of our Public Schools, *as at present constituted*, an increase of $6000 in your annual appropriation is considered necessary.

2. It also appears that even with this increased appropriation, viz: $79,000, as against $73,000 for 1896, we shall be unable to pay the teachers in the lower grades as high wages as are paid in other cities of corresponding size, valuation, and school membership in Massachusetts.

3. On the completion of the High School Building it will become necessary for the city to make an additional appropriation for furnishing it, to the estimated amount of at least $5000.

4. It further appears from the Superintendent's report that the Linden St. School is in a crowded condition; and that in a large number of our rooms there is a larger number of pupils than can be most advantageously cared for by one teacher.

5. It therefore appears to us that, for the present, it is wiser rather to direct our efforts to increasing the efficiency of the schools we have, than to add to the number of grades, a Kindergarten grade. Even if only one such Kindergarten should be equipped and maintained, it would involve an expenditure of about $1500 per annum.

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We cannot understand, if $7900 is necessary for the maintenance of our present schools at their present standard, how a new and costly system of sub-primary education can be added, without detracting from the efficiency of our present schools. And in the present period of business depression we feel that the schools of Pittsfield as they are now constituted can be better managed upon an appropriation of even $77,000 without a Kindergarten annex, than they can be for $79,000, if the Kindergarten system must also be supported.

At the time when we yielded to the arguments of other members of the School Committee as far as to vote with them that an appropriation of $79,000 was needed, we had no intimation that the increase from last year's appropriation was desired in order to enable the Committee to inaugurate the Kindergarten system; and now that we have learned that fact, we submit it as our belief that it will be wiser for your Board to make the appropriation for Public Schools for 1897 $77,000, unless you are convinced that it is imperative at this time to enter upon the experiment of Free Kindergartens, and thus commit the city to a policy certain to entail within a few years a very great expense.

We have entered into no contention regarding the Kindergarten system itself, but have merely argued against the expediency of adopting it as a part of our system of Public Instruction the present year.

Nevertheless, we feel that the Kindergarten, as a part of a regular public school system, is still on trial.

While it is doubtless of great value in the case of children who have no suitable homes, and whose parents are incapable of giving them proper care and training, we are not yet convinced that so large a proportion of Pittsfield homes are unsuitable places for their own children as to require the establishment of a system of public nurseries in which four-year-old babies must be amused and instructed in order to guard them against the contamination of the street.

We are not convinced that it may not prove the wiser plan to introduce the best methods and elements of the Kindergarten into the lower grades of our Primary Schools, engaging for those schools teachers with thorough training, and paying

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them good salaries; rather than to spread out more thinly still the already scanty means at our command.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. H. BALLARD,
CHAS. J. BOYLAN,
F. F. READ,
W. M. MERCER,
FRANK R. STRONG.

Pittsfield, January, 1897.

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Superintendent's Report.

To the School Committee:

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with your rules, I submit for your consideration the following report of the schools of Pittsfield for the year 1896. The matters to which your attention is asked are grouped under the heads of Instruction, Attendance, School Property, Finances, and General Statistics.

I.

INSTRUCTION.

The general course of instruction has followed the plan outlined in the annual report for 1894. Since that time, however, various minor modifications have been made, and much time and effort have been devoted to specifying in detail the work to be done. The outlines and changes are embodied in printed pamphlets relating to the different subjects and accessible to the members of the Committee and others interested. Much attention has been given to putting into the hands of the teachers details of information useful in the work of instruction and specific work suitable for use in the several grades. Much of this has been prepared through the co-operation of the teachers themselves. Most of it has been issued to the teachers in the form of mimeograph pamphlets, and I have reason to believe it has been very helpful to them in their work. A list of the outlines prepared in 1894 and 1895 was given in my last report. During the past year I have completed and issued two pamphlets of this kind:

A completed course of study in language and grammar, comprising 23 printed pages.

A printed pamphlet of 36 pages, being sentences formed from the first reader vocabulary and using the words found on

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the first seven pages of the seventeen first readers from which the vocabulary is derived.

LANGUAGE AND READING.

The aims of the course of study in language were perhaps sufficiently suggested in my last report. The vocabulary sentences are intended to furnish a great variety of printed sentences using a narrow range of words for beginners in reading. It was the custom of our teachers to devote a term or more to the reading of script from the blackboard before beginning the reading of print. This seemed to be necessary or advisable rather because no beginning reader contained a sufficient repetition of the words introduced than because the children naturally prefer to read script. The plan proposed was to teach the pupils to read both the script and the print from the first or nearly the first of their school work. Most of the first year primary teachers have followed this plan with their beginning classes. The results seem in all cases at least as satisfactory as under the former plan and in several schools have been especially good. In several rooms a large proportion of the new pupils completed the vocabulary reader and about a third of the ordinary first book in reading within the fifteen weeks of the fall term. It may be that some of these results have come from the special effort likely to attend the working out of a new plan, but I have seen no indication that other work has been neglected for the reading. I have much hope that we have found a way of saving time and getting better results than before. By following out through the primary grades the plan of concentrating our work and attention in reading, spelling, language, and writing upon the list of words used in the standard readers, we hope to master the everyday words of the language much more rapidly and certainly than is possible without such concentration.

Special stress has been laid upon care and accuracy in the use of both oral and written language through all the grades, and this, with the attention given to the study of language and grammar according to the new outline and with the new books, seems to have produced more satisfactory results than we have previously attained. The penmanship has been regarded as a

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part of the language work, and the importance of well written, correctly spelled, and carefully punctuated papers has been constantly emphasized. Although it may be easy to find careless work in some schoolrooms, I am very confident that distinct improvement has been attained in practice as well as theory, in most if not all of our school.

I am disposed to think that considerable progress has been made in reading. It has been suggested that reading for the subject matter has been made more prominent than for effectiveness of oral expression. Possibly this is true, and it may be well to give more attention to elocutionary effect. It should be and probably is possible to attain both results in our school course. It seems on the one hand eminently desirable that our pupils master a sufficient vocabulary to read readily and understandingly ordinary books, and that the time assigned to reading be devoted to the most enlightening and refining subject matter. On the other hand, effective elocution should not be neglected. I am not disposed to think that our reading is poorer from an elocutionary standpoint than it has been heretofore, but we may very properly give more attention to effective expression hereafter. A short time devoted to the best rendering of selected passages at the beginning of each recitation would doubtless produce a marked improvement in this respect.

ARITHMETIC.

In arithmetic there seems to be a gradual improvement as the pupils continue the use of the course. It is certain that the pupils of the lower grades are becoming familiar with many practical facts and processes concerning which they formerly learned nothing until they reached the higher grades. In some of the schools the pupils of the lower grades have attained very clear ideas of the nature of numbers and have become very correct and ready in the processes covered by the grade. There has been an attempt in all the grades to make the work simple, vital, and practical. More than usual stress has been laid on the importance of mental work, but this still needs to be made far more prominent.

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GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY.

A complete printed outline for the study of the geography of history and literature has been substituted for the incomplete mimeograph outline. The pupils of the ninth grade will also devote five weeks to a review of American history. A carefully selected list of topics to be followed in the study of geography and history in the seventh, eighth, and ninth years would be very helpful, and I hope the time is not distant when such topics can be placed in the hands of the pupils.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.

Supervisor Smith has prepared a new outline for the study of music and a brief manual of instruction for the use of the pupils. This will doubtless prove helpful in his work. Some increased interest seems to have been aroused in this study, particularly at the High School where some supplementary music has been used. At the request of the G. A. R., a large chorus of the pupils of the public schools furnished the singing for Decoration Day, and the High School Chorus performed a similar acceptable service for the last meeting of our County Teachers' Association I would be glad to see more freedom and independence as the result of our work in music and more readiness in taking up new selections, and I hope that this may be the outcome of what appears to be a renewed interest in this direction. The work in drawing, under Mr. Denison, has followed in the main the outlines previously in use, with perhaps some tendency to connect the drawing with the other subjects of the course. I believe that this tendency is a good one, and in accordance with the spirit of the times.

PHYSICAL CULTURE.

During the summer term Miss Fanny G. Nash, from the Emerson College of Boston, took up with the teachers and in the schools the subjects of reading and physical culture. She followed the Emerson system, and did much to arouse an intelligent interest. Although her connection with our schools was brief, our teachers gained from her much valuable training and many useful directions along these lines. It is much to be regretted that she could not continue this work.

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CHARACTER AND CONDUCT.

In all the work of our schools it is our aim to develop in the pupils right ideas of character and conduct, and to establish habits of right doing. Such ideas and habits may be of slow growth in many pupils, and our school work may encourage it more at some stages than at others; but I think that there are various influences at work in our schools which are leading our pupils to higher ideals of aims and deeds. One pleasing evidence of public spirit and interest in others was the large and general contribution made by the schools at the Thanksgiving season for the use of the House of Mercy in aid of crippled children.

TIME SCHEDULE OF PRIMARY AND GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

Year or Grade.	NUMBER OF RECITATIONS WEEKLY IN																Average Length of Recitation.	Total Recitation Time for each pupil weekly.	
	Reading.	Penmanship.	Spelling (lists).	Language and Composition.	Grammar.	Arithmetic.	Algebra.	Geometry.	Geography.	History and Biography.	Civil Government.	Elementary Science or Nature Study.	Physiology and Hygiene.	Music.	Drawing.	Total Number of Recitations Weekly.	M.	H.	M.
I.	10	5	5	5	....	5	....	....	†	....	....	†5	1	5	5	46	15	11	30
II.	10	5	5	5	....	5	....	....	†	....	....	†5	1	5	5	46	17	13	
III.	8	4	5	5	....	5	....	....	†	....	....	†5	1	5	5	43	21	15	
IV.	5	4	5	5	....	5	....	....	5	5	....	....	1	5	3	43	27	19	21
V.	5	3	5	5	....	5	....	...	5	4	....	....	1	5	3	41	26	17	45
VI.	5	3	5	1	4	5	....	....	5	....	....	....	5	5	3	41	25	17	6
VII.	5	3	5	1	4	5	....	....	‡5	‡5	5	....	1	4	3	41	24	16	24
VIII.	4	3	5	1	4	*5	*	*	‡5	‡5	....	3	1	4	3	38	25	15	50
IX.	5	3	5	1	4	*5	*	*	‡5	‡5	‡	4	1	4	3	40	25	16	40

† Geography and Elementary Nature study coincide.

‡ Geography alternates with History in 7th and 8th years and coincides with History in part of 9th year. It alternates with Civil Government and History for a part of the 9th year.

* Algebra, Geometry, and Book-keeping take the place of Arithmetic for 20 lessons each.

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In response to inquiries from the State Board of Education and others, I have made out the preceding schedule representing the subjects studied, the number of weekly recitations in each, the average length of recitations, and the total time each pupil spends in recitations each week. The time schedules of the schools vary somewhat according to the number of grades in a room and other circumstances, but the average is as here given and varies but slightly from the programs followed in our representative schools.

THE TENDENCY OF THE TIME.

While it is natural and proper for a system of schools to have and follow its own aims, those aims may wisely be compared from time to time with the general movement of educational thought and practice elsewhere. The spirit of the time may manifest itself most conspicuously in what are or seem to be fads, but usually there is an undercurrent of conviction running in the same direction and leading to better things. There is manifesting itself at the present time in various ways and places a spirit of earnestness and carefulness of inquiry respecting specific problems in education, for the purpose of establishing definite points of educational doctrine. The child, the teacher, the course of study, the material equipment of the school, official control, and the community are being observed and recorded and analyzed with the purpose of finding out definitely what is possible, what is actually accomplished, and just what prevents the lifting of the actual to the level of the possible. It seems to me, therefore, that we and all others interested in education may well keep in mind the characteristic features of the school movement in Massachusetts at the present time, as suggested by the State Board of Education in the following synopsis:

1. Enrichment of elementary programs.
2. Consideration of ways and means to reconcile the breadth of an enriched program with reasonable thoroughness of instruction.
3. Greater respect paid to the child's individuality.
4. The consolidation of feeble and scattered rural schools.

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5. Growth of the conviction that the schools all need skilled supervision as much as business enterprises that have it.
6. The remarkable development of the high school system.
7. The trend of the colleges towards recognizing in their admission requirements the general as well as the classical courses of the high schools.
8. Great progress in schoolhouse construction, sanitation and equipment.
9. An improvement in teachers' salaries.
10. An increasing earnestness of demand for scholarship, professional training and heart in the teacher.
11. A growing interest in school matters on the part of boards of trade, citizens' associations, women's clubs, and non-professional educational societies.
11. Growth of the feeling that the principle of individualism or localism in school management should not be permitted to exhibit itself anywhere in depriving children of good schooling, and the State of that better citizenship to which good schooling leads.

SOME CONDITIONS THAT AFFECT RESULTS.

As Dr. Rice points out in his series of articles recently begun in the Forum, there are various opinions as to what should be called satisfactory results of school work. Whatever may be our ideals of what schools should be and accomplish, there are certain conditions that must materially affect the degree of success attained in working toward those ideals. Among them are the following:

1. *The number of pupils to a teacher.* It is generally thought that in order to secure the best results not more than 40 or 45 pupils should be committed to the care of each teacher when the pupils are of the same grade, or more than 35 or 40 when they are of different grades. If one teacher cannot properly teach more than that number, it follows that she must fail to teach properly in proportion to the excess of pupils in her care. In proportion to the crowding of schoolrooms, it is to be expected that the standard of attainment will be lowered. The condition of

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our schools is now much better than for several previous years in this respect. Nevertheless, during the year 1896 we had an average membership of over 40 in 44 rooms, of over 45 in 23 rooms, and of over 50 in four rooms. This number does not include rooms having more than one teacher. It should be remembered that the care of the teacher is not measured either by the average attendance or the average membership, but by the number attached to the room and over whom her responsibility extends. The task of the teacher who has 50 pupils and all of them present every day is an easy one compared with that of the teacher who has 50 pupils assigned to her, but whose school is demoralized by contagious diseases or other causes.

2. *Irregularity of attendance.* This may be the fault of the teacher, the pupils, or the parents. It may be the fault of no one, but simply the result of epidemic or other sickness, of bad weather, or of other causes entirely unavoidable. The result is the same, whatever the cause.

3. *The presence in the school of a few peculiarly troublesome pupils.* While the number of troublesome children is likely to depend largely upon their teacher, there are likely to be in every school a few pupils who require so much of any teacher's attention and nervous force as to greatly diminish her teaching power. These pupils may in some cases affect the work of the school more seriously than the addition of 10 or 15 well-behaved pupils to the number.

4. *The presence of peculiarly dull or defective pupils.* There are in most rooms a few children who are unable under any ordinary circumstances to do the work which the average pupils can do. They may be mentally deficient; they may be physically infirm; they may be slow of mind, but capable of good progress under favorable conditions. In many cases such pupils should be in special institutions, and are in our schools only because they have had no one to recognize their needs and put them where they can be properly cared for. It is greatly to be regretted that attempts to secure for such children admission to our State

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School for the Feeble Minded are almost invariably met with the statement that there is no room. It is of great importance to these pupils and to the community that they should have the special attention that they need. On the one hand, the schools should not be held responsible for their failures. On the other hand, provision should be made for giving them the special attention they require. We have tried to pay more attention to such pupils during the past year, but what we have done is only the beginning of what should be done, or perhaps rather a better realization of the problem than any great progress toward its solution. I believe that much good would result from placing such pupils together under skilled instruction, and with such modifications of their work as might be found conducive to their progress.

5. *Imperfect grading.* Whatever may be the cause of his being in a grade unsuited to his capacities, the fact that he is there deprives a pupil of the opportunity to work to the best advantage. It is sometimes apparently better to place a pupil in a grade somewhat in advance of his attainments than to allow him to lose heart and hope, but it is better when possible to make him and his parents understand that he will improve most when his tasks are best adjusted to his powers. It is not a kindness to a pupil to advance him to a grade for which he is not fitted and in which he has no chance of doing the work, whether his deficiency is the result of his inability or his neglect, or of circumstances for which he is not responsible. At the close of the last summer term special attention was given to the grading, and the standard for promotion was adhered to more rigidly than before. I have no doubt that our schools were thereby improved and that better work has resulted. It should be remembered that while regular and numerous promotions are desirable, the success of a particular teacher or of a system of schools is not to be measured by the number of promotions made at any particular time. The refusal to promote pupils may be an evidence of special merit in a teacher.

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6. *The effectiveness of the teacher.* The teacher may be in poor health, and thus irregular in attendance or unable to do the best work when in school. She may be poor in discipline, so that the pupils give their attention only part of the time, or only a part of their attention at any time, to their work. She may be so amiable that her pupils lack the stimulus of merited criticism and reproof. She may be so strong and positive and active-minded that her pupils are habitually tripped before they get on their feet, and so lose not only the instruction intended, but their confidence and their courage. She may see only the pleasant and irresponsible part of her work, and so leave undone that which is inconvenient or inconspicuous. She may be so serious and conscientious that she deadens enthusiasm. She may have too little knowledge of the subjects taught to give her pupils the help and guidance that they need. She may lack professional training. She may need experience. She may be the reverse of all this, as many of our teachers are.

7. *The effectiveness of supervision.* While the best way to secure good teaching is to employ teachers who do not know how to do poor work, there is much that can be improved through the suggestions of those who view the work of the school from a wider experience than most teachers have and who are in a better position to know what is being done in other schools. In most of our schools the Principal is also a regular teacher and is unable to follow the work of individual pupils as closely as is desirable. The clerical and general duties of the Superintendent seriously encroach upon the time and thought and energy that might profitably be spent in closer supervision of schoolroom details, in efforts to improve the teachers, and in studying the new and changing problems that are continually confronting us.

This is, of course, only a partial and inadequate statement of the conditions affecting the progress of pupils and the success of our schools as a whole; but it will serve, I trust, to suggest anew the magnitude of the work intrusted to us and

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the delicacy of the agencies and conditions upon which the highest success depends. It is easy to remedy one or two apparent weaknesses or imperfections if no regard is paid to the effect of our remedies upon other phases of the problem, but it is not always easy to determine by what means the highest total of good can be brought about.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT.

In addition to the preparation of the outlines and materials mentioned elsewhere and to the suggestions given in my visits to the schools and in private conversation with the teachers, I have endeavored to hold such teachers' meetings as seemed desirable and practicable and to secure such assistance from others as circumstances permitted. Beginning the latter half of the fall term, I have met on Wednesday afternoons a volunteer class of the teachers for the study and review of English grammar. Considerable interest has been manifested. Early in the year Mr. A. W. Clark held meetings and visited the schools to give suggestions in penmanship. During the month of June Miss Nash met the teachers twice a week for instruction in physical culture.

At my request, the following persons have addressed the teachers upon the subjects named.

May 4. Horace Mann. Address by Dr. W. V. W. Davis and remarks by Hon. Joseph Tucker.

May 12. Cuba. Hon. E. T. Slocum.

Oct. 28. The Indians of the United States. Hon. Henry L. Dawes.

Nov. 24. Reading. Mr. H. H. Ballard.

Dec. 14. A Trip Around the Mediterranean, Illustrated. Hon. W. A. Whittlesey.

All of these addresses were exceedingly interesting and profitable and were highly appreciated by the teachers. Mr. W. D. Goodwin of the High School read to the pupils of the ninth grade a very interesting paper on the life and character of Napoleon soon after they had completed the study of his career, to which the teachers were also invited.

Several other lectures have been arranged or encouraged

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mainly or partly for the improvement of the pupils and teachers of our schools, among which were the following: A lecture on the Kindergarten by Mrs. Lucretia Willard Treat; a course of lectures on Astronomy by Miss Mary L. Proctor; a series of Bird Talks by Miss Olive Thorne Miller; a lecture on Alaska by Col. C. H French. Other special and valuable opportunities were afforded by the County Teachers' Association and the meeting of the Western Massachusetts High School Teachers' Association held in this city. A few of our teachers attended summer schools and educational gatherings elsewhere.

While it is not to the advantage of our schools, it is nevertheless creditable to our teaching force that during the past year Miss Annette J. Warner, our supervisor of drawing was called to the Fitchburg Normal School; Mrs. Adeline E. Knight, of the High School, to the Westfield Normal School; and Miss Blanche L. Needham, of the High School, to the Agassiz Museum at Cambridge.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRADUATION.

At the close of the school year in June, eighty-nine pupils of the ninth grade completed the grammar school course according to the requirements and received certificates admitting them to the High School. Of this number, eighty entered the High School at the beginning of the fall term. This is believed to be an unusually large proportion. That the attainments of the class, as measured by the term tests at the High School, are much more satisfactory than those of preceding classes, is not only gratifying in itself but seems to justify the increased care in making promotions that has been exercised for a year or two past. The average age of the class on entering the High School was 14 yrs. 10.6 mos. This is somewhat below the average age for New England. There have been for several years considerable inquiry and discussion concerning the gap or break between the work of the grammar school and the high school, the general belief being that the step from the grammar school to the high school is much greater than from one grade to another below the high school or from one year to another in the high school. I have no

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doubt that such is the case in many places, but I believe that it is no longer true of our own course of study. Some of the most promising remedies for this difficulty were introduced into our grade work some time ago. At the present time the transition from one school to another seems to be the most notable feature in passing from the grammar schools to the High School.

One of the remedies suggested for the alleged indifference of pupils to the higher grades of school work has been graduation exercises at the close of the grammar school course. Such exercises have been held in this city for several years. For the last three years they have been based on some special theme of current interest or on one of the studies of the course. The exercises last June were based on the lives and writings of famous English authors. They were held at the several schools, were well attended by the parents and friends of the pupils, and formed a fitting and pleasing close to the work of the year. One of the greatest objections to exercises of this kind is the time likely to be devoted to them at the expense of the regular school work. By basing the exercises on the regular work this objection is largely overcome. It is natural and right that such exercises should receive enough time and attention to make them creditable and satisfactory, but it is manifestly a perversion of the time and labors of the pupils to make them an occasion for the display of attainments and skill acquired at the expense of their regular work. The programs followed at the several schools and the names of the graduates are as follows.

CENTER SCHOOL.

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 26, AT 10 O'CLOCK.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Song, "The Canadian Boat Song," Moore
School.

Essay, "Sir Walter Scott,"
Annie M. Mahon.

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Recitation, "Battle of Beal' an Duine," — Scott
Edmund K. MacLaughlin.
Declamation, "Burns,"
James Albro.
Recitation, "The Banks o' Doon," — Burns
Elizabeth Cullen.
Piano Solo, "Whispering Angels,"
Roy B. Noble.
Map Study, "Byron,"
Margaret G. Walsh.
Declamation, "The True Use of Wealth," — John Ruskin
Walter G. W. Josselyn.
Essay, "Lord Tennyson,"
Bessie I. Paine.
Recitation, "The Passing of Arthur," — Tennyson
Annie S. Atkinson.
Song, "The Brook," — Tennyson
School.
Recitation, "The Cratchits' Dinner Party," — Dickens
Marguerite Coogan.
Essay, "Thomas Carlyle,"
Mabel D. Ford.
Declamation, Selections from Carlyle's "Essay on Scott,"
Henry F. Montoux.
Violin Solo, "Happy Birdling Polka,"
Annie S. Atkinson.
Presentation of Diplomas,
Mr. Wm. L. Adam.
Song, "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton," — Burns
School.

ORCHARD STREET.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 25, 1896, AT 2 O'CLOCK.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Chorus, — School

TENNYSON.

Life, — Augusta L. Hayn
"Story of Enoch Arden," — Bessie L. Connor
"Enoch Arden's Farewell," — Maggie E. Flynn
"Enoch Arden's Return," — Helene L. Rickheit
Recitation from "In Memoriam," — Amy A. Hunter
Chorus, — School

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DICKENS.

Life,	Jennie E. Hayden
"David Copperfield,"	Henry G. Shaffer
"Oliver Twist,"	William D. LaRue
Characters in Dickens,	Bessie E. Lowe
"Christmas Carol,"	Lillian Munson
Reading from "Christmas Carol,"	Charles F. Reinhardt
Reading from "Christmas Carol,"	Harry E. Harvey
Reading from "Christmas Carol,"	Amy L. Johnson
Reading from "Christmas Carol,"	Mattie E. Sloper
Chorus,	School

SCOTT.

Life,	Mary A. Harney
Edinburgh, the Home of Scott,	Claude N. Holwill
Abbotsford,	John J. Fahey
Publications,	Elizabeth V. Reed
"Ivanhoe,"	Bessie A. Cooper
Story of "Lady of the Lake,"	Ruth A. Mills
Recitation from "Lady of the Lake,"	Fred H. Purches
Recitation from "Lady of the Lake,"	Michael J. McMahon
Recitation from "Marmion,"	John J. Burke
Semi-Chorus,	Six Pupils
Presentation of Diplomas,	Dr. W. M. Mercer

LINDEN STREET.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 26, AT 2 O'CLOCK.

AN AFTERNOON WITH SCOTT.

PROGRAM.

Piano Duet, { Simon M. Rosenthal / Charles R. Sullivan

Biographical Sketch, Recitation, Fred B. Clark

SELECTIONS FROM "THE LADY OF THE LAKE."

Prologue, "Harp of the North," Recitation, Maggie M. Condron

CANTO I.

Description of Scenery, Recitation and Map Exercise, Fred L. Kingsley

The Meeting with the Lady of the Lake, Dialogue. [Mabel E. Frederick, Charles R. Sullivan

Music, "Hail to the Chief!"

CANTO II.

QUOTATIONS—Stanzas 22 and 31,	Fannie B. Winship
Stanzas 4, 33 and 34,	Simon M. Rosenthal
Stanzas 36 and 37,	Norah G. McMahon

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CANTO III.

The Fiery Cross, Reading, Roscoe Smith
Speed, Malise, Speed! Recitation, Edith L. Dodge
Music, "The Coronach,"
Rhoderick Dhu, Recitation, Francis M. Feeley
Roderick listens to the voice of Ellen singing "Ave Maria."

CANTO IV.

Blanche warns Fitz-James of Murdoch's Treachery, Recitation,
C. Louise Nelligan
Fitz-James is Challenged by a Highlander, Recitation,
Samuel B. Rothkopf

CANTO V.

Piano Solo, Simon M. Rosenthal
"The Combat," Recitation, John J. Solon
Douglas Makes Himself Known, Reading, Katherine Frish

CANTO VI.

Music, "Lullaby of an infant chief,"
Ellen Recognizes Fitz-James, Recitation, Jennie A. Burke
The Audience Chamber, Recitation, Gertrude B. Day
Epilogue, "Harp of the North, Farewell," Recitation,
Bessie G. Eagen
Presentation of Certificates, Mr. Harlan H. Ballard

MORNINGSIDE.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 24, AT 2 O'CLOCK.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Cradle Song, Walter Scott
School.
The Battle of Beale, (Lady of the Lake), Scott
Matthew Linnehan.
The Tomb of Robert Bruce, Scott
Elizabeth McDonough.
The Lord of Burleigh, Tennyson
Grace Cain.
The Flower and other poems, Tennyson
Margaret Dean.
A Sketch of Tennyson,
Ethel Lane.

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Two Scenes from the life of Marie Antoinette, (French Revolution), Carlyle
Charles MacLaughlan.

Labor, Carlyle
Walter Medicke.

Lichens and Mosses, Ruskin
Mabel Carver.

The Cloud, Shelley
Mary Smith.

Song, "Comin' Through the Rye,"
School.

To a Mountain Daisy, Burns
Frances Riley.

Honest Poverty, Burns
Matthew Higgins.

Song, "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton,"
School.

Dr. Blimber's School (Dombey and Son), Dickens
Annie Cummings.

Peggotty's House (David Copperfield), Dickens
Helen Whiting.

Mrs. Bagnet's Birthday (Bleak House), Dickens
Rosetta McKenna.

The Ivy Green, Dickens
Katherine Buntin.

The Voice of the Waves (Dombey and Son), Dickens
Charlotte Corkhill.

The Death of Little Paul (Dombey and Son), Dickens
Lydia Marsden.

"Auld Lang Syne," Graduates' Song,
School.

Presentation of Diplomas. Mr. W. L. Adam

STEARNSVILLE.

THURSDAY FORENOON, JUNE 25, AT 10 O'CLOCK.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Map Exercise,
Myra A. Warren.

Essay, "Charles Dickens,"
James J. Canning.

Reading, "A Child's Dream of a Star," Dickens
John H. Mullen.

Song, "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton," Burns
School.

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Declamation, "Napoleon's Farewell," Byron
David F. Merriam.

Essay, "Lord Byron,"
Maude L. Jordan.

Declamation, "The Dying Gladiator," Byron
Edward W. Maloy.

Essay, "Sir Walter Scott,"
Thomas F. Maloy.

Song, "Bonnie Dundee," Scott
School.

Recitation, "Lady Clare," Tennyson
Margaret C. Maloy.

Essay, "Alfred Tennyson,"
Sarah E. Killeen.

Reading, "May Queen," Tennyson
Mabel A. Taft.

Song, "Ye Banks and Braes o' Bonnie Doon," Burns
School.

Essay, "Thomas Carlyle,"
Jennie E. Shumway.

Essay, "Robert Browning,"
Andrew J. Maloy.

Quotations from English Authors,
Graduating Class.

Song, "Auld Lang Syne," Burns
School.

Presentation of Certificates,
Committee F. A. Smith.

NAMES OF PUPILS COMPLETING GRAMMAR SCHOOL STUDIES.

CENTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Motto: "By knowledge not by craft."

James Albro,
Annie S. Atkinson,
Edith J. Benjamin,
Mary A. Behan,
Marguerite Coogan,
Elizabeth Cullen,
Helen Dillon,
Mabel D. Ford,
Frances Hoxie,
Walter G. W. Josselyn,
Lilian W. Keenan,
Edmund K. MacLaughlin,
Annie M. Mahon,
Henry F. Montoux,
Chester F. Noble,
Roy B. Noble,
Bessie I. Paine,
Margaret G. Walsh.

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ORCHARD STREET SCHOOL.

Motto: "Life without literature is death."

John J. Burke,
John J. Fahey,
Harry E. Harvey,
Claude N. Holwill,
William D. LaRue,
Michael J. McMahon,
Fred H. Purches,
Charles F. Reinhardt,
Henry G. Shaffer,
Bessie L. Connor,
Bessie A. Cooper,
Maggie E. Flynn,
Augusta L. Hayn,
Jennie E. Hayden,
Mary A. Harney,
Amy A. Hunter,
Amy L. Johnson,
Bessie E. Lowe,
Ruth A. Mills,
Lillian Munson,
Elizabeth V. Reed,
Helene L. Rickheit,
Sarah W. Russell,
Mattie E. Sloper.

LINDEN STREET SCHOOL.

Class Motto: "Stretch to your oars."

Jennie A. Burke,
Fred B. Clark,
Maggie M. Condron,
Gertrude B. Day,
Edith L. Dodge,
Bessie G. Eagen,
Francis M. Feeley,
Mabel E. Frederick,
Katherine Frish,
Fred L. Kingsley,
Norah G. McMahon,
C. Louise Nelligan,
Simon M. Rosenthal,
Samuel B. Rothkopf,
Roscoe Smith,
John J. Solon,
Charles R. Sullivan,
Fannie B. Winship.

MORNINGSIDE SCHOOL.

Class Motto: "Let knowledge grow from more to more."—Tennyson

Katherine Buntin,
Anna Cummings,
Charlotte Corkhill,
Grace Cain,
Mabel Carver,
Margaret Dean,
Matthew Higgins,
Matthew Linnehan,
Ethel Lane,
Lydia Marsden,
Elizabeth McDonough,
Charles MacLaughlan,
Walter Medicke,
Rosetta McKenna,
Frances Riley,
Mary Smith,
Helen Whiting.

STEARNSVILLE SCHOOL.

Class Motto: "Aim High."

James J. Canning,
Maude L. Jordan,
Sarah E. Killeen,
Andrew J. Maloy,
Edward W. Maloy,
Margaret C. Maloy,
Thomas F. Maloy,
John H. Mullen,
David F. Merriam,
Jennie E. Shumway,
Mabel A. Taft,
Myra A. Warren.

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THE KINDERGARTEN.

The question of establishing kindergartens as a part of our city school system has become a more practical one than in former years. By the opening of the next fall term we shall be in as good a position as we are likely to be for many years to accommodate several kindergartens in our school buildings. The matter can hardly be postponed much longer on the ground of waiting to see the results in other places. In regard to the value of the kindergarten as an educational agency, I see no reason to change the views expressed in former reports. I believe that a course of one year in kindergarten work would form a desirable introduction to the work of the grades as now planned, and would constitute an admirable transition from either the home or the street to the school. It would overcome the feeling of timidity and awkwardness with which some of the less fortunate children now enter the lowest grade, the selfishness and harshness of others, and the lack of interest which hinders the progress of many of the less active pupils. Through its close following of the child's natural instincts and spontaneous actions and the force of companionship, it bends and shapes the twig as it grows. In the case of active-minded children, it can hardly keep them busier than they would keep themselves. In the case of those whose minds are sluggish, it can hardly arouse them more than their welfare demands. Its influence in leading the child to right ideas of conduct and establishing the habit of good natured right-doing is still more valuable. In most cases these influences will be a desirable supplement to the efforts of the home, and in many cases they will counteract evil influences that would otherwise become predominant.

Considering the similarity in purpose of much of our primary work to that of the kindergarten, it does not seem to me that it is best to plan for a kindergarten course of more than one year in our school system. I would admit the children to the kindergarten at four years of age or as soon thereafter as convenience permits and pass them on to the first grade as soon after they are five years old as a new class begins. If the spirit of our first grade work is not such as to continue the influences of the kindergarten, the necessity for

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higher ideals would furnish to our first grade teachers a good occasion for the attainment of better things. Of course, our estimates of the kindergarten and its results are based on the supposition that no incompetent kindergartner is to be employed or continued in service. Our comparison of its value and influence with that of the work of the first grade should be based on the same supposition. I suppose that justice to the other claims of our school system would prevent the maintenance of school kindergartens on a more liberal scale of salaries and teaching force than we are able to conform to in other grades. It would be a manifest incongruity to maintain a kindergarten with two teachers for an average attendance of 30 pupils side by side with a first grade of 50 in charge of a single teacher. The maintenance of a kindergarten in each of our larger schools would not be altogether an increase in expense and in one respect it would give great relief to our primary grades. Under the present rules, new pupils may enter the first grade either in September or in April. The entrance of a large number in April involves a rearrangement of the classes and in some cases a general moving of the pupils into higher rooms. Such changes are very harmful to the work of the pupils and in nearly every case hinders their progress. If each school had a kindergarten, there would be no occasion for admitting a new class to the first grade in April and the organization of the school would be undisturbed.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Evening schools have been maintained at Russell's, Stearnsville, and the Center. Owing to a variety of circumstances, the terms were not of the same length at the different schools. The average attendance during the winter was 54.11, during the fall it has been 126.02. Very likely this difference is partly due to the weather, but other influences have had considerable effect. The work is evidently characterized by much earnestness and interest. According to published statistics, our per cent of attendance for the year 1895 was about 40 per cent better than the average for the State, and for the year just closed it was nearly as good. The average expense per

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pupil for the State in 1895 was $5.77; our expense per pupil based on average membership was $7.19 in 1895 and $7.86 in 1896.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

The enrolment, average membership, and average attendance of the High School show a fair increase over the record of the previous year. An increased number of pupils were perfect in attendance and punctuality for the year, for two terms, and for one term. The most marked improvement was in the matter of tardiness, the number of cases for the year being 294 less than in the preceding year. This is a very marked decrease, and it is hoped that the improvement will continue until the number of cases ceases to be out of proportion to the other schools of the city. The average age of the pupils is slightly above that of the preceding year. It is an interesting fact, but apparently of no significance, that the increase of 19 in the enrolment includes one male and 18 females. While the number of males and females enrolled in the entire city is nearly equal, the total enrolment at the High School includes 97 males and 161 females. Although the accommodations have remained as inadequate as before, the school has not suffered so much from interruptions and irregularities as in the preceding year. The number of days actually taught was 10 more than in 1895, though the number in the other grades was but 5.5 greater. The spirit of the school has been excellent. During the year additional attention has been given to the common English branches, and the results, as indicated by the examinations for admission to the Training School and in the daily and test work of the pupils, have indicated improvement along these lines. Arithmetic and geography are now reviewed as class work in the Junior year, and English grammar is made a distinct part of the class work in the study of language and literature. At the same time additional effort has been made in the teaching of English to secure creditable spelling, punctuation, and penmanship in all the exercises of the school. Owing to the resignation of Mrs. Knight to accept a position in the Westfield Normal School and of her successor Miss Needham to accept a position in the Agassiz Museum at

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Cambridge, some rearrangement of the departments has been necessary. Mr. Clarence J. Russell, a graduate of the school and of Williams College, now gives instruction in science and Mr. Albert T. Bouteiller, a Normal graduate of the Academie de Besancon, France, takes charge of the French.

An attempt has been made to arrange the studies as far as possible so as to take up after entering the new building the subjects in which the use of a laboratory is most essential. It is, of course, understood that the unusual expenditures for apparatus and general equipment on entering the new building will be considerable, aside from the expense of the manual training work to be introduced at that time. The problem of relating the manual training to the other work of the school is scarcely less worthy of attention than that of establishing manual training itself. While it will be necessary to provide this year a manual training course for one year only, it is important that this provision accord with the wisest plans for the further development of the course.

The following statement of the elements of a manual-training high school course, quoted in the last report of the United States Commissioner of Education from a recent report of our State Board, may be of service in planning the new work:

1. A course of study from three to four years in length, with a marked trend toward that of the greater length.
2. Free-hand and mechanical drawing throughout the course, one hour daily.
3. Shop exercises, two hours daily.
4. Academic work, three hours daily, two or more of them devoted to recitations.
5. The use of power.
6. Woodworking, including the study of tools, materials, and the elementary processes of carpentry, joinery, wood turning, pattern making, and, if advisable, carving.
7. Ironworking, including forging, chipping, and filing, and the elementary processes of machine work.
8. A session six hours long or longer, with a suitable allowance for recess and lunch.

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9. A correlation of the academic work, so far as feasible, with that of the drawing-room and the shops.

THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

The work of the Training School has followed nearly the same lines as heretofore. The loss of seven weeks of the fall term of 1895, on account of the enlargement of the building, was, of course, a serious interruption to the work of the school and continued to be felt throughout the school year. It was not thought fair to the pupils that it should prevent the promotion of those doing intelligent and faithful work, but the loss of so large a part of the forty weeks and some of the inconveniences now remedied could hardly fail to have effects extending beyond the year in which the loss occurred. The teachers have done all in their power to make up the work and it is believed that they have nearly succeeded.

A class of six completed the training course last June and are now teaching in our schools. Of the candidates examined for admission at the beginning of the present year, four passed a satisfactory examination and were admitted. The questions used were mainly those previously given elsewhere for admission to normal schools and were neither peculiar nor severe, yet about half of the candidates were seriously deficient in ability to meet the requirements. The four who passed were the only applicants from our own High School. After the experiences of former years, it is gratifying to record this evidence of improvement in this phase of our High School work. While the number in the Training Class is small, we certainly can not undertake to prepare for teaching in one year unless our standard for admission is at least as high as that maintained by normal schools devoting two or more years to such preparation.

Without undertaking to discuss the relative merits of normal schools and city training schools, I am clear that high school graduates should not undertake to teach without a careful and reasonably complete review of the work of the grades and practice in real teaching and governing under the guidance and correction of competent critics in a position to follow closely and for some time the work done. Besides this

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there should be an acquaintance with the history of education with special reference to its practical results, and as broad and exact a knowledge of nature and man as is attainable. Breadth of culture and perfection of technique are both needed.

II.

ATTENDANCE.

The year was an unfavorable one for attendance, owing to much severe weather and the general prevalence of contagious diseases, and possibly the unsatisfactory condition of two or three of the old school buildings. These causes greatly affected the attendance during the first and second terms. During the fall term, notwithstanding the prevalence of diphtheria in one or two schools in consequence of which the Stearns ville school was closed for three weeks, the attendance was exceptionally good and nearly counterbalanced the unfavorable record of the other terms. The average per cent. of attendance for the State for 1895 was 92; ours was 92.89 in 1895 and 92.33 in 1896.

Compared with the preceding year, there was an increase of 61 in the enrolment, and of 5,100.5 in the days of absence. The items in which there was a decrease were as follows: average membership, 21; average attendance, 39; per cent. of attendance, .56 of one per cent.; number perfect in attendance and punctuality for the entire year, 16; for two terms, 35; for one term, 2; truants, 4; cases of truancy, 22; a decrease of 462 in the number of cases of tardiness; and a decrease of 223 in the number of cases of corporal punishment. It is gratifying to know that while there was a falling off in the attendance due to causes over which the pupils and teachers had little if any control, the record of truancy, tardiness, and corporal punishment, over which they did have control, shows an improvement. Notwithstanding the slight decrease in the attendance of the city as a whole, it is perhaps worthy of notice that twenty schoolrooms show an average attendance of over 95 per cent. and eight an average attendance of over 96 per cent. In comparison with the preceding

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year, this is an increase of three rooms having over 95 per cent. and five having over 96 per cent. The decrease in the number of cases of corporal punishment was more marked than in the preceding year, the whole decrease for the two years being 340.

The usual detailed statistics for the several schools and schoolrooms are given in the accompanying table.

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STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.

TEACHERS.	Rooms.	Grades.	Number of Sittings.	ENROLMENT.								ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY.								Cases of Punishment.	Per cent. of Membership Promoted to Higher Grade.	Average Age of Pupils, Sept. 1896. (Years and Months.)
				Total.	Under 5.	Over 15.	Between 5 and 15.	Between 8 and 14.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Membership.	Days actually Taught.	Average Daily Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance to Average Membership.	Days Absence.	Cases of Tardiness.	Cases of Truancy.	Perfect Entire Year.	Perfect Two Terms.	Perfect One Term.			
High.																						
C. A Byram, Principal...	2	XII-XIII	87	92	0	91	1	0	34	58	86.76	195	83.15	95.85	687	334	0	4	12	45	0	95.	18 y., 3.4 m.
W. D. Goodwin.....	1	XI	60	69	0	63	6	3	28	41	62.14	195	59.36	95.52	526	187	0	5	15	20	0	89.83	15 y., 10 m.
S. F. Dibble.....	7	X	50	56	0	37	19	1	16	40	41.87	195	40.06	95.68	341	87	0	2	6	13	0	90.	15 y., 2 m.
B. L. Needham.....	6	X	41	41	0	28	13	1	19	22	38.29	195	36.77	96.04	224	55	0	2	8	24	0	90	14 y., 8.3.
Harriet L. Blinn	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Claire W. Hemming.....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....			238	258	0	219	39	5	97	161	229.06	195.	219.34	95.76	1778	663	9	13	41	102	0	91.3	16 y., .75 m.
Linden Street.																							
C. E. Bennett, Principal..	....																						
E. K. Manning.....	15	IX-VII	43	23	0	6	17	9	12	11	27.19	194.5	25.82	94.96	240	52	1	1	5	13	1	100	14 y., 6m.
E. L. Curtis.....	14	VIII	49	50	0	10	40	25	21	29	44.60	194.5	41.93	94.01	517.5	55	2	2	3	14	21	90	13 y., 11.
S. E. Stevens.....	13	VII	49	50	0	4	46	15	21	29	44.88	194.5	42.65	95.03	422.5	43	2	0	5	19	30	83.72	13 y., 2 m.
A. Kernan, M. Kearney ..	12	VI-V	67	65	0	2	63	43	30	35	59.48	194.5	55.20	92.80	799.5	64	10	1	4	10	25	91.38	12 y., 5 m.
J. A. Bull	11	V	49	47	0	1	46	43	23	24	44.45	194.5	40.95	92.15	880	46	2	0	3	17	16	66.22	11 y., 6 m.
A. M. Munn.....	10	V	49	49	0	1	48	48	21	28	46.36	194.5	42.48	91.63	761	77	9	0	1	9	36	70	11 y., 8 m.
Mary Toohey.....	9	V-IV	49	49	0	0	49	49	28	21	46.23	194.5	42.93	92.84	641.5	50	11	5	6	21	29	52.08	10 y., 7 m.
D. E. Devanny	8	IV	49	49	0	0	49	49	25	24	44.52	194.5	40.73	91.46	729	80	16	2	4	15	31	62.50	10 y., 10 m.
M. E. Enright.....	7	IV	49	47	0	0	47	45	19	28	45.35	194.5	41.70	91.96	699.5	80	28	0	1	18	12	57.1	9 y., 8 m.
A. L. Solon.....	6	III	49	57	0	0	57	56	31	26	48.55	194.5	44.64	91.94	655	106	11	0	2	11	8	75.61	9 y., 6 m.
M. E. Conlin.....	5	III	49	57	0	0	57	52	30	27	47.68	194.5	43.57	91.39	792	76	2	0	1	8	15	73.47	8 y., 3 m.
A. M. Egan	4	II-I	49	57	0	0	57	51	25	32	46.47	194.5	42.19	90.78	831.5	47	10	0	2	9	21	76.47	8 y., 3 m.
Florence Stevens.....	3	II	49	63	0	0	63	31	31	32	48.89	194.5	44.31	90.63	899.5	74	3	0	2	7	35	66.66	7 y.. 2 m.
Lotta M. Merry	2	II	49	61	0	0	61	19	39	22	49.39	194.5	44.99	91.09	868	70	18	0	1	9	14	74.18	6 y., 11 m.
M. E. G. Miller	1	I	77	150	0	0	150	2	84	66	63.63	194.5	56.22	88.35	1409.5	74	2	0	0	5	11	71.88	5 y., 8 m.
Elizabeth A. Joyce.....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
K. A. Enright	16	I	36	47	0	0	47	0	27	20	35.41	194.5	30.78	86.92	896	61	1	0	0	4	4	73.6	5 y., 9 m.
Total.....			811	921	0	24	897	537	467	454	743.08		681.10	91.66	12042	1054	128	11	40	189	309	74.05	9 y., 11.8 m.

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Center.																						
Louise M. Patten, Prin...	2	IX	120	29	0	9	20	7	10	19	23.62	194.5	22.71	96.15	174	27	0	1	5	7	13	81.8	14 y., 7 m.
Rose O. Kendall.....		VIII		38	0	8	30	22	19	19	35.41	195.5	34.36	97 03	193	47	0	0	7	11	7	48.4	14 y. 8½ m.
Anna V. Jordan		VII		61	0	2	59	48	26	35	45.37	194.5	42.51	93.7	586½	29	0	1	1	7	11	68.75	13 y.
Mary A. Brennan	1	VI	110	38	0	1	37	36	21	17	36.39	194.5	34.08	93.65	447	21	0	2	3	7	6	70.59	12 y., 5 m.
Mary E. McSweeny		VI		36	0	1	35	28	16	20	31	141.5	28.84	93 03	310½	20	0	0	0	0	3	67.87	12 y., 5 m.
E. Pauline Eddy.		V		45	0	1	44	42	22	23	39.22	194.5	35.62	90 82	699½	38	14	2	3	9	12	64.1	12 y.
Total.....			230	247	0	22	225	183	114	133	202.45	.....	190.27	93.99	2410½	182	14	6	19	41	52	67.3	13 y., 2 m.
Orchard St.																							
Geo. W. Gardner, Prin...	3	IX	132	38	0	17	21	8	19	19	27.94	194.5	26 49	94.81	296.5	53	0	0	3	2	4	73	14 y., 8 m.
M. S. Putnan.....		VIII		22	0	3	19	11	13	9	27.77	194.5	26.40	95.06	235	44	0	1	3	8	3	84.21	13 y., 9 m.
M. A. Reilly.....		VII		65	0	5	60	48	28	37	47.43	194.5	43 96	92.68	707.5	51	5	1	2	8	2	84.50	13 y., 2 m.
K. L. McGinnis	2	VI	54	42	0	0	42	33	19	23	39.40	194.5	37.69	95.66	379	52	8	2	1	15	10	72	11 y., 11 m.
Carolyn R. Stickles.....		V	56	59	0	0	59	57	24	35	52.50	194.5	49.80	94.86	530.5	75	5	3	11	10	8	68.51	11 y., 4 m.
Total			242	226	0	25	201	157	103	123	195.06	.....	184.34	94.50	2148 5	275	18	7	20	43	27	.....	.....
Training School.																							.....
Arabella Roach, Prin																							
R. C. Gaskill.....	8	IV	48	50	0	0	50	50	23	27	46.64	194.5	45.04	96.57	315.5	49	6	1	4	17	4	85.42	9 y., 8 m.
A. F. Dillon.....	6	III	49	46	0	0	46	46	27	19	37.62	194.5	35.1	93.08	475	25	4	0	1	16	22	65.8	9 y., 1 m.
M. A. Pratt	5	III	40	42	0	0	42	35	26	16	40.02	194.5	37.96	94 84	400	54	2	0	0	9	7	80.49	8 y., 5 m.
M. T. Kelley.....	4	II	48	55	0	0	55	25	31	24	43.31	194.5	40.75	94.09	508½	60	1	1	2	12	2	89.8	7 y.
J. E. Francis.....	3	II	48	50	0	0	50	17	31	20	41.81	194.5	38,2	91.37	718	39	0	0	0	8	12	88	6 y., 11 m.
A. B. Curtin.....	2	I	48	61	0	0	61	3	27	34	42.97	194.5	38.83	90.36	812.5	11	0	0	2	9	9	93.18	5 y., 5.5 m.
E. K. Solon	1	I	46	56	5	0	51	0	31	25	33.59	130.5	31.14	92.71	343.5	19	0	0	0	10	1	100	5 y., 3 m.
Total			318	360	5	0	355	176	195	165	274.99	.....	256.87	93.41	3573	257	13	2	9	81	57	86.1	7 y., 4.6 m.
Morningside.																							
Clara E. Rogers, Prin	9	IX																					14 y., 2.7 m.
Ruth Clark.....		VIII	46	29	0	5	24	6	10	19	26.48	194.5	24.81	93.69	329.5	42	0	0	0	0	3	65.51	13 y., 9.8 m.
Ida Starkweather	8	VII	48	48	0	6	42	29	21	27	39.50	194.5	35.76	90.53	732.5	65	1	0	1	6	11	64.44	13 y., 7 m.
Alice E. Curtin	7	VI	48	45	0	1	44	40	17	28	41.57	194.5	38.80	93 33	527.5	54	0	1	1	11	24	65.78	12 y., 7 m.
Emma L. Clark	6	V	48	43	0	0	43	43	15	28	43.47	194.5	40.45	93.05	578.5	109	5	1	0	3	20	57.26	11 y., 6 m.
S. A. Gardner	5	IV	48	39	0	0	39	39	17	22	40 60	194.5	37.64	92.71	568	82	30	0	2	16	42	87.87	10 y., 4.8 m.
M. D Hasdell.....	4	III	48	43	0	0	43	42	23	20	43.54	194.5	40.78	93.66	519.5	80	0	0	2	5	45	30.95	9 y., 1.2 m.
S. J. Murphy.....	3	III-II	48	43	0	0	43	32	24	19	44.97	194.5	40.73	90.56	585	55	2	0	4	10	28	61.90	8 y., 1 m.
Elizabeth F. Toohey.....	2	I	48	45	0	0	45	18	27	18	40.88	194.5	38.86	95.06	428	13	2	0	4	14	14	53.30	6 y., 8 m.
Harriet M. Johnson.....	1	I	48	91	0	0	91	0	40	51	45.36	194.5	41.02	90.42	815	2	0	0	0	10	0	13.70	5 y., 4 m.
Total.....			43)	426	0	12	414	249	194	232	366.38		338.86	92.49	5083.5	502	40	2	14	75	187	.....	... .
Fenn St.																							
A. P. Edwards, Prin																							
M. E. Kellogg	8	V	49	45	0	0	45	42	22	23	41.55	194.5	39.45	94 92	411.5	18	0	2	5	17	6	68.88	10 y., 10 m.
B. W. H. Thurotzy	7	IV	49	48	0	0	48	48	30	18	43.07	194.5	40 81	94.77	459	14	0	0	7	14	12	50	10 y., 5 m.
G. L. Skinkle.....	6	IV-III	49	54	0	0	54	54	27	27	45.65	194.5	42.55	93.21	602.5	14	2	2	5	15	6	80.95	9 y., 7 m.
M. S. Beers	5	III	49	50	0	0	50	49	25	25	46.43	194.5	43.36	93.40	599.5	26	0	1	3	12	2	93.18	8 y., 9 m.
N. S. Canfield.....	4	II	49	55	0	0	55	45	28	27	47.91	194.5	43.90	91.63	786.5	47	5	0	2	9	7	68.62	7 y., 11 m.
T. H. Culkin.....	3	II	49	57	0	0	57	32	28	29	47.13	194.5	42.98	91.17	815	53	0	0	1	4	13	82	7 y., 8½ m.
I. R. Kusch	2	I	49	49	0	0	49	10	22	27	44.83	194.5	40.15	89.58	909	38	0	0	0	7	4	83.33	6 y., 7 m.
H. L. Watkins.....	1A	I	(49)	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	42.23	59.5	37.99	89.96	251	12	0	0	0	3	0	79.45	
C. E. Dorr.....	1	I	49	133	0	0	133	5	67	66	45.11	194.5	38.7	85.79	1247.5	60	0	0	0	3	1	78.72	5 y., 5 m.
Total			392	492	0	0	492	285	249	243	374.43	.....	343.53	91.75	6081.5	282	7	5	23	84	51	76.11	.....

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Redfield.																							
C. I. Goldman	7	VII	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31.03	71	29.64	95.52	102	18	0	0	1	3	0	0	12 y., 4½ m.
M. A. Denny	6	VI	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.94	71	34.67	96.46	92	20	0	1	3	6	0	0	12 y., 2 m.
Ellen Irons, Principal	5	V	48	4	0	1	3	2	2	2	49.97	71	47.84	95.72	152.5	21	2	0	1	10	0	0	11 y., 10 m.
B. Hotchkiss	4	IV	48	41	0	0	41	40	19	22	38.28	194.5	35.61	93.02	499	57	3	0	0	8	0	88	10 y., 9 m.
H. B. Francis	3	III-II	48	42	0	0	42	39	19	23	39.73	194.5	36.83	92.7	545	56	6	1	5	7	2	88.24	8 y., 6 m.
C. M. Francis	2	II-I	48	40	0	0	40	16	24	16	38.46	194.5	35.48	92.24	574	63	4	0	1	7	0	61	7 y., 6 m.
H. L. Watkins	1	I	48	91	2	0	89	4	49	42	46.02	194.5	41.05	89.2	987	117	1	0	0	3	0	40	5 y., 5 m.
Total			336	218	2	1	215	101	113	105	205.97	194.5	189.91	92.20	2948.5	352	16	2	11	44	2	69.3	9 y., 9½ m.
Russell.																							
Agnes M. Reid, Prin	8	V-VI	48	42	0	0	42	42	18	24	33.05	194.5	31.17	94.31	373	35	0	2	4	7	9	80.40	11 y., 9 m.
M. E. McSweeney	7	VIII-VII	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29.55	53	28.26	95.63	67	7	0	0	0	7	1		
L. J. Murphy	6	V	48	54	0	0	54	54	26	28	47.86	194.5	45.81	95.72	408.5	43	1	3	2	12	18	94.55	11 y., 11 m.
S. M. McMahon	5	IV-III	48	2	0	0	2	2	2	0	49.88	71	47.96	96.13	135.5	3	3	0	4	19	10		
M. A. Murphy	4	III-II	48	57	0	0	57	34	26	31	53.74	194.5	50.45	93.86	639.5	39	0	1	3	18	4	80.77	9 y.
M. M. McDonough	3	II-I	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49.57	71	47.98	96.79	112.5	8	0	0	0	16	0		
Josephine M. Mee	2	I	48	98	0	0	98	3	56	42	53.08	194.5	47.79	90.03	1045.5	23	0	0	2	15	12	82.34	5 y., 3 m.
Total			336	253	0	0	253	135	128	125	232.88	.....	217.95	93.59	2781.5	158	4	6	15	94	54	84.9	9 y., 1 m.
Stearnsville.																							
H. J. Jordan, Prin	4	IX-VIII	42	21	0	1	20	15	13	8	17.59	179.5	16.72	95.05	155	68	0	0	2	6	0	85.71-83.33	13y,4m-13y,2m
M. E. Canning	3	VII-VI	42	35	0	0	35	33	23	12	29.27	179.5	26.80	91.56	439	135	1	0	1	3	0	89.47-71.42	12y,7m-11y,7m
E. J. Smith	2	V-IV	42	36	0	0	36	36	19	17	28.94	179.5	26.76	92.48	415	89	0	0	0	8	3	89.47-80.	10y,8m-10y,2m
S. J. Smith	1	III-II-I	48	42	0	0	42	21	16	26	28.02	179.5	26.37	94.11	315	113	6	0	0	2	2	100-94.11-53.33	8y,4m-7.5-6,1
Total			174	134	0	1	133	105	71	63	103.83	.....	96.67	93.10	1324	405	7	0	3	19	5	82.95	10 y., 4 m.
Pontoosuc.																							
B. R. Van Bergan, Prin	4	VII-VI	49	32	0	0	32	28	19	13	24.01	194	22.47	93.59	311	68	0	0	4	5	8	69.63	15 y., 3 m.
Rose Duffy	3	V-IV	48	40	0	0	40	39	19	21	37.15	193	35.69	96.07	280.5	76	0	2	4	11	16	13.15	11 y., 1 m.
K. E. Corcoran	2	III-II	49	49	0	0	49	36	28	21	44.54	194	41.05	92.16	677.5	145	1	2	3	10	29	15.50	9 y., 6 m.
Grace C. Marshall	1	II-I	40	51	0	0	51	4	27	24	31.04	193	27.68	89.18	648.5	43	0	0	2	9	29	24	5 y., 10 m.
Total			186	172	0	0	172	107	93	79	136.74	.....	126.56	92.55	1917.5	332	1	4	13	35	82	20.66	9 y., 7 m.
John St.																							
N. M. Synan	2	III-II	48	37	0	0	37	28	21	16	35.49	194.5	32.8	92.42	516.5	9	0	2	1	10	0	60.61	8y,10m-7y,10m
M. A. Synan	1	I	44	50	2	0	48	1	22	28	30.35	194.5	27.6	90.94	528.5	42	0	0	0	8	3	63.64	5 y., 5 m.
Total			92	87	2	0	85	29	43	44	65.84	.....	60.4	91.75	1045	51	0	2	1	18	3	62.12	7 y., 4 m.
Silver Lake.																							
M. A. O'Kane	2	III-II	40	33	0	0	33	28	21	12	32.05	194.5	29.47	91.95	502.5	31	0	0	5	12	11	76	8 y., 11 m.
E. G. Browne	1	II I	48	46	0	0	46	5	31	15	30.60	194.5	27.83	90.97	542.5	57	0	0	1	6	2	70	6.15
Total			88	79	0	0	79	33	52	27	62.65	.....	57.30	91.46	1045	88	0	0	6	18	13	....	....
Schools having more than one room			3873	3873	9	304	3560	2102	1919	1954	3185.5	.....	2955.8	92.79	44178	4601	248	60	215	843	842	....	....

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Coltsville. Amy Reynolds	IV-I	42	39	1	0	38	25	16	23	25.95	194	23.98	92.40	380.5	132	0	0	1	7	2	37.5	9 y., 3 m.
Junction. Mary A. Hathaway	VI-I	30	37	0	0	37	23	11	26	25.60	194.5	21.62	84.45	759	52	0	0	0	1	8	77.[illegible]	8 y., 5 m.
Tracy. Ardella B. Herrick	VI-I	24	14	0	0	14	9	8	6	12.45	194.5	11.13	89.40	310.5	82	0	0	0	5	12	64.	7 y.,10.3 m.
Holmes. Myrtie L. Elmer	VI-I	23	26	1	1	24	17	13	13	20.31	194.5	18.37	90.45	376.5	83	0	0	1	2	2	87.5	9 y., 7 m.
Morewood. Abbie J. Barnes	VI-I	40	44	0	1	43	29	23	22	30.22	194.5	26.93	89.11	775	110	0	0	5	4	4	69.4	8 y., 2.1 m.
Barkerville. M. E. Rousseau	V-I	42	31	0	0	31	10	17	14	26.77	194.5	24.03	89.76	532	189	0	0	2	5	3	79.31	7 y., 11 m.
West Pittsfield. N. E. O'Neil	IV-I	30	31	1	0	30	18	13	18	18.35	193.5	15.36	83.70	570	101	0	0	0	4	22	75.	8 y., 1 m.
Osceola. Clara Smith	III-I	42	27	0	0	27	12	11	16	18.70	194.5	16.58	88.66	380.5	46	0	0	0	2	0	90.33	7 y., 3 m.
West Part. S. A. Ferry	V-I	36	30	0	0	30	19	17	13	18.01	194.5	16.16	89.73	360	23	0	0	0	9	2	82	9 y., 5 m.
North Woods. S. H. French	VI-I	26	29	0	0	29	18	15	14	20.27	192	15.54	76.66	903	186	0	0	0	0	2	67	10 y., 6.7 m.
Peck's. F. L. Boland	IV-I	48	63	0	0	63	40	31	32	42.25	193.5	37.25	88.17	1046.5	138	0	0	1	6	10	46.34	8 y., 1 m.
Onota St. M. F. Joyce	III-I	37	43	3	0	40	21	20	23	28.07	194.5	24.04	85.64	830.5	173	2	0	0	1	7	48.6	7 y., 2.3 m.
Schools having one room.		420	414	6	2	406	241	194	220	286.95	....	250.99	87.47	7224	1315	2	0	10	46	74	.....	.....
Total		4293	4287	15	306	3966	2343	2113	2174	3472.47	....	3206.31	92.33	51402.5	5916	250	60	225	889	916	.....	.....

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III.

SCHOOL PROPERTY.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The system of heating and ventilating adopted in the enlargement of the Training School contemplated the use of a larger fan than had been in the old building, but the attempt to drive the foul air out of the eastern dormer windows was continued. It was found that when the wind was easterly its natural force overcame the effect of the fan and drove the air down the ventilating flues into the rooms. The noise of the fan when it was in operation was also very disagreeable to the teachers, and when the wind was not in the east the ventilation was good without its use. It, therefore, seemed best to the Committee to open a ventilating shaft vertically through the ridge of the roof, so as to give the foul air free exit from the building whatever may be the direction of the wind. Since this was done there has been no complaint of reversed currents into the rooms.

The destruction of the front blackboards and the disfigurement of the rooms resulting from the large heating and ventilating flues have been remedied, as was suggested in the last annual report, by the construction of blackboards in front of the flues. At the same time, ample closet room was secured and a stairway into the attic was constructed. This has not only remedied the defects named but has brought the new blackboards enough nearer the pupils to make it much easier for them to see the blackboard work, a matter of considerable importance to the eyesight of the pupils. In connection with these changes the painting and kalsomining were considerably improved. The south room on the lower floor has been furnished with seats taken from the Stearnsville School when the seating of that school was rearranged. Altogether these and other minor changes have made the Training School much more convenient and attractive.

The heating and ventilating apparatus at the Pontoosuc School has been nearly doubled in effectiveness by doubling the number of air boxes and pin radiators, so that each room

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has an independent supply of warm air. Under the former arrangement, a single air-box and radiator supplied two rooms.

The Linden Street School has been connected with the Robbins Ave. sewer. The immediate object of this connection was to provide an outlet for the sinks of the building, which had been drained into a cesspool in the basement. In laying the pipes, however, provision was made for connection with the existing closets whenever it seems best to convert them into water closets, and with the closets it is proposed to construct on the second floor in the room intended for recitations but now occupied as a schoolroom on account of the delay in completing the John Street School. Another conspicuous improvement at Linden Street is the placing of closets for books and materials in each of the rooms on the lower floor. These should have been provided in the original plan. They add greatly to the convenience and neatness of the rooms.

At Morningside and at Stearnsville the schoolrooms, and at Morningside the halls, have been kalsomined, and in both buildings picture molding has been provided for the rooms. At Morningside the seats have been rearranged in four of the rooms so that the light now comes from the left and rear of the pupils. This gives much better light on the desks and places the pupils in much better positions for seeing the blackboards.

For the last three years the Committee has been making a special effort to improve the condition of the rural schoolhouses, and among other changes to provide separate bins for the coal and the wood in the fuel houses. The fuel houses have now been rearranged, except at the West Part, where the condition to be remedied can still be seen in all its glory.

Flagstaffs have been provided for fourteen schools and flags for all in need of them, so that all the schools in the city are now supplied. Shade trees have been planted on the grounds of several schools and attention given to the general condition and arrangement of the trees, with a view to further improvements in the future. With comparatively little attention and expense year by year, the grounds about many of our schools, and especially our rural schools, can be made very attractive.

No walks have been laid during the year. There is a large

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field for improvement in this direction and in bettering the general appearance of the school premises. Aside from this, the chief improvement I would suggest for the coming year is in relation to the closets at Linden Street.

REPAIRS.

The roofs at Linden Street and Morningside have continued to leak during most of the year, notwithstanding repeated attempts to repair them. Our efforts have finally seemed more successful, but it is likely that the Linden Street School at least will need a new roof in the near future. If further leaks appear, it would probably be best to put on a new roof during the next summer vacation. The roof of the Fenn Street School has been thoroughly repaired and the stone and brick work repointed. New tubes have been put into the boiler at the Center School.

New floors have been laid at Barkerville, West Part, and North Woods. At Barkerville and West Part, little further was attempted in the way of repairs to the buildings. At North Woods the interior was thoroughly refinished, a closet for materials was put in, and slate blackboards were substituted for the plaster boards. The use of slate boards in our old buildings may at first seem ill advised. In some of our schools the plaster boards have done and are doing good service, although they need reblacking at frequent intervals, and this is a matter of considerable expense. But in several of our rural schools it has seemed almost impossible to keep the boards in good condition. At North Woods the boards although repaired two years ago were almost useless last summer.

Besides the usual minor repairs, various repairs and improvements have been made during the year, such as removing platforms, building storm-doors, rearranging outhouses, separating the out-buildings of the sexes by fences, which do not call for special mention.

As the result of the changes and repairs of the last three years, our older school buildings have been greatly improved externally and internally, and the teachers and pupils by whom they are occupied are working under much more favor-

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able conditions. They are also much more creditable to the city. There are, however, ample opportunities for further repairs and improvements both in the buildings themselves and in their furniture.

FURNITURE.

The completion of the new Redfield and Russell buildings released the furniture previously in use in those schools, most of which was better than that in use in several other places in the city. At the same time it became necessary to reset the furniture at Barkerville, West Part, and North Woods, and desirable to provide better furniture in the southwest recitation room at Linden Street and in the south room on the lower floor at the Training School. There were several other rooms where the readjustment of a part of the seats was needed, and it was found practicable to provide single desks for the Junction and West Pittsfield at the same time. The task of making these changes and readjustments was not a small one at the best and was considerably complicated by the great variety of furniture in nearly every room in which the changes were made and from which the furniture was taken. It was necessary to measure most of the desks and compile tables of styles and sizes before it could be discovered in what way they could best be arranged. The process of transferring and placing them was equally interesting. The result is, however, very satisfactory. All the rooms named are now seated with single desks in good condition and well graded, except that at North Woods a few double desks were retained for the sake of wider aisles. In room 9 at Linden Street the desks were varnished, after being scraped and sandpapered by the pupils, and furnish pleasing evidence of the improvement possible in most of the older furniture in use in our schools.

NEW BUILDINGS.

The new Redfield School on Elizabeth Street and the new Russell School, both of which were first occupied at the opening of the fall term in September, are in most respects comfortable and convenient. A few minor changes and adjustments have been found desirable in both buildings, but call for no special mention. The grounds of the Redfield School have

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been fenced on the south, carefully graded, and provided with well arranged concrete walks. They will present a very attractive lawn on Elizabeth Street and Henry Ave. and furnish ample playgrounds in the rear of the building. At the Russell School no walks have been laid and the grounds have not been improved. If this work is to be done out of the regular appropriation, that fact should be understood when the new appropriation is made. It is very desirable that the grounds of this school should be considerably enlarged. The following cuts and floor plans show the general appearance and arrangement of these buildings.

REDFIELD SCHOOL.

The basement plan of the Redfield School is nearly the same as that of the second floor here given. The space under the northwest classroom is devoted to the boilers and the storage of fuel; that under the teachers' rooms, to hallways leading to the western entrances. There are no water closets in the basement. The arrangement of the first floor is essentially the same as that of the second floor, except that the main entrance is under the middle room of the second floor. There is an entrance opening eastward from the northern projection of the building, but not visible in the view given. The woodwork is of southern pine. There are two water-closet rooms for pupils on each main floor. The closets are partitioned individually and the fixtures are of the best. The urinals are of slate and the floors of concrete. Each closet room is carefully ventilated. Each schoolroom is provided with a thermostat by which the degree of heat is regulated automatically. The blackboards are of slate, four feet wide, and extend around the rooms. The attic is large and well lighted, and is at present used for the storage of such old furniture as it does not seem best to destroy.

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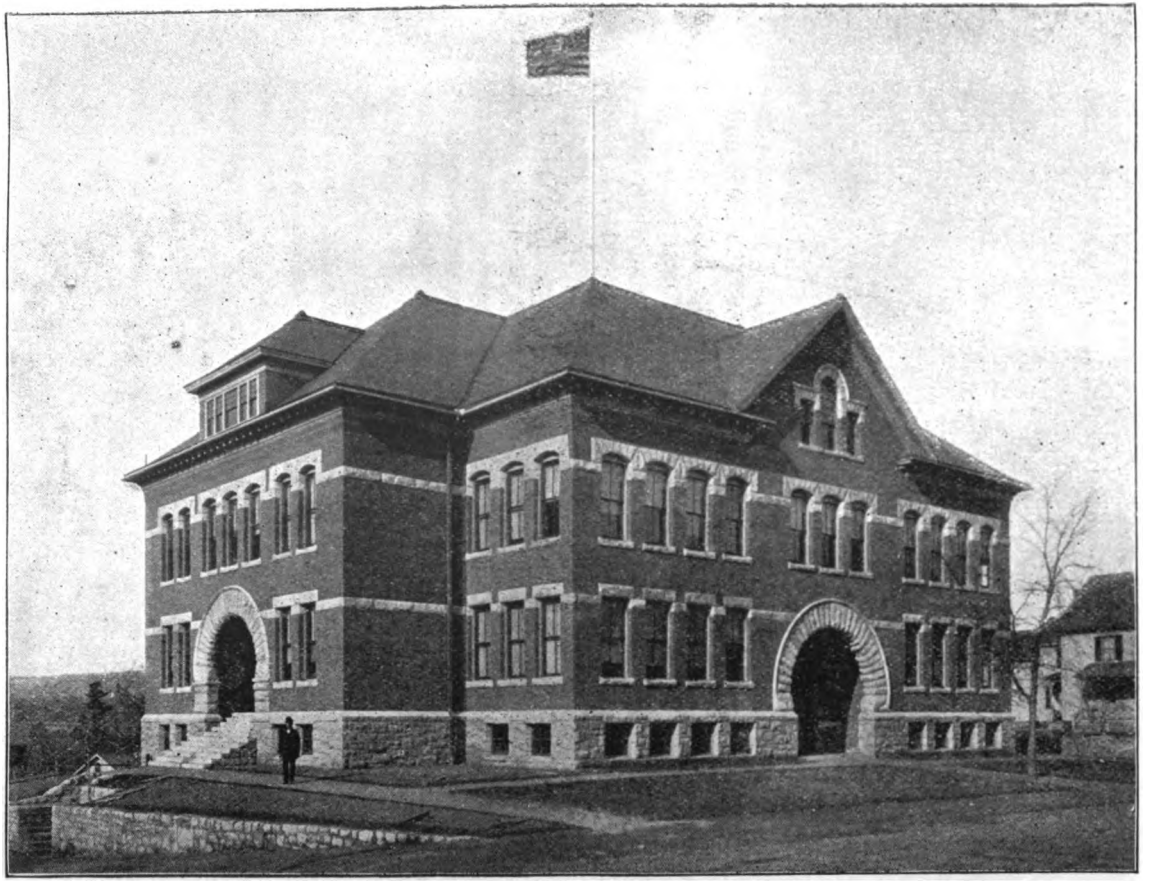

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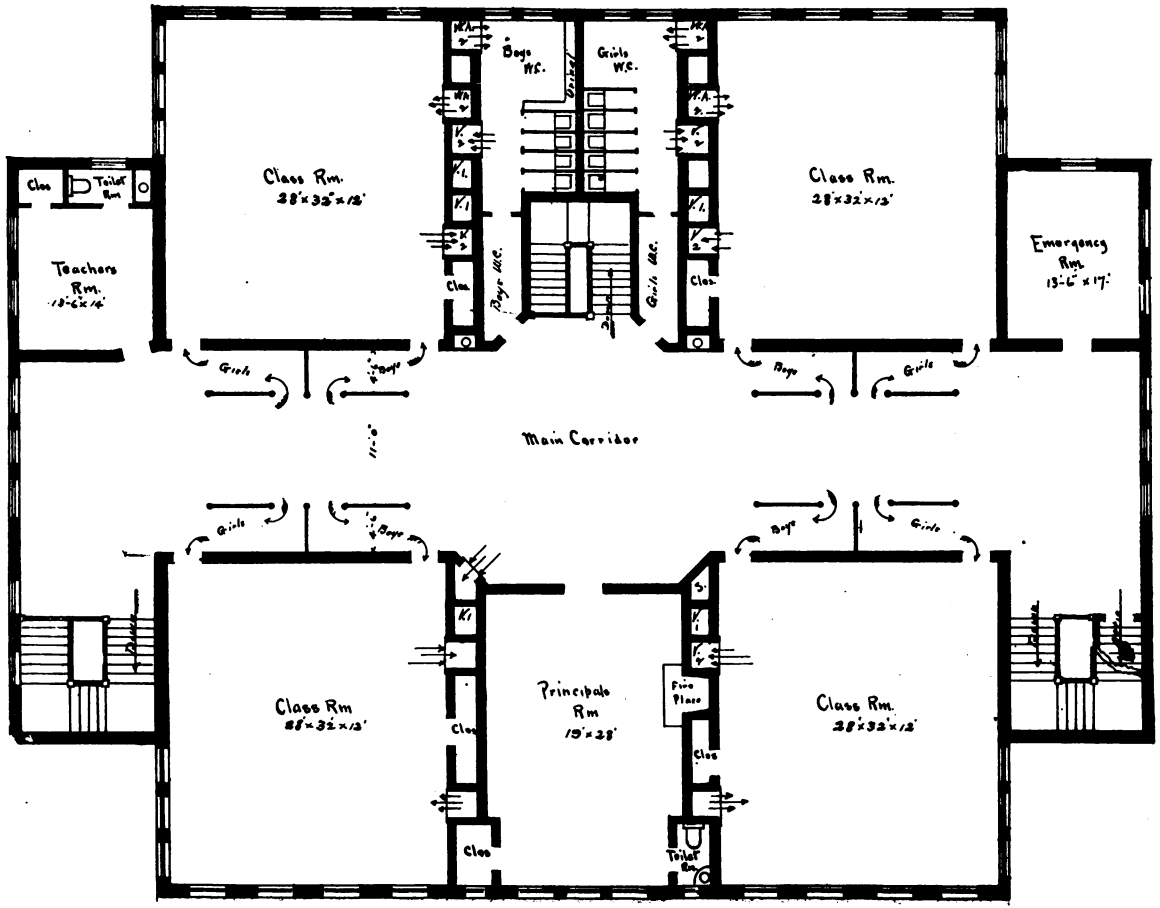

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RUSSELL SCHOOL.

The plan of the second floor of the Russell School also shows the general arrangement of the first floor, the space under the Principal's rooms and the book-room being occupied by the front entrance, and the east and west entrances leading out from the halls. The basement follows the general plan of the second floor and is devoted to playrooms, as at the Redfield Schooi, except that the northwest room is devoted to the boilers and the storage of fuel. There is a basement entrance from the northwest, and the basement is also reached from the first floor by stairways leading from the east and west halls. The attic is not lighted or floored. The materials and general finish of this building are essentially the same as in the Redfield School.

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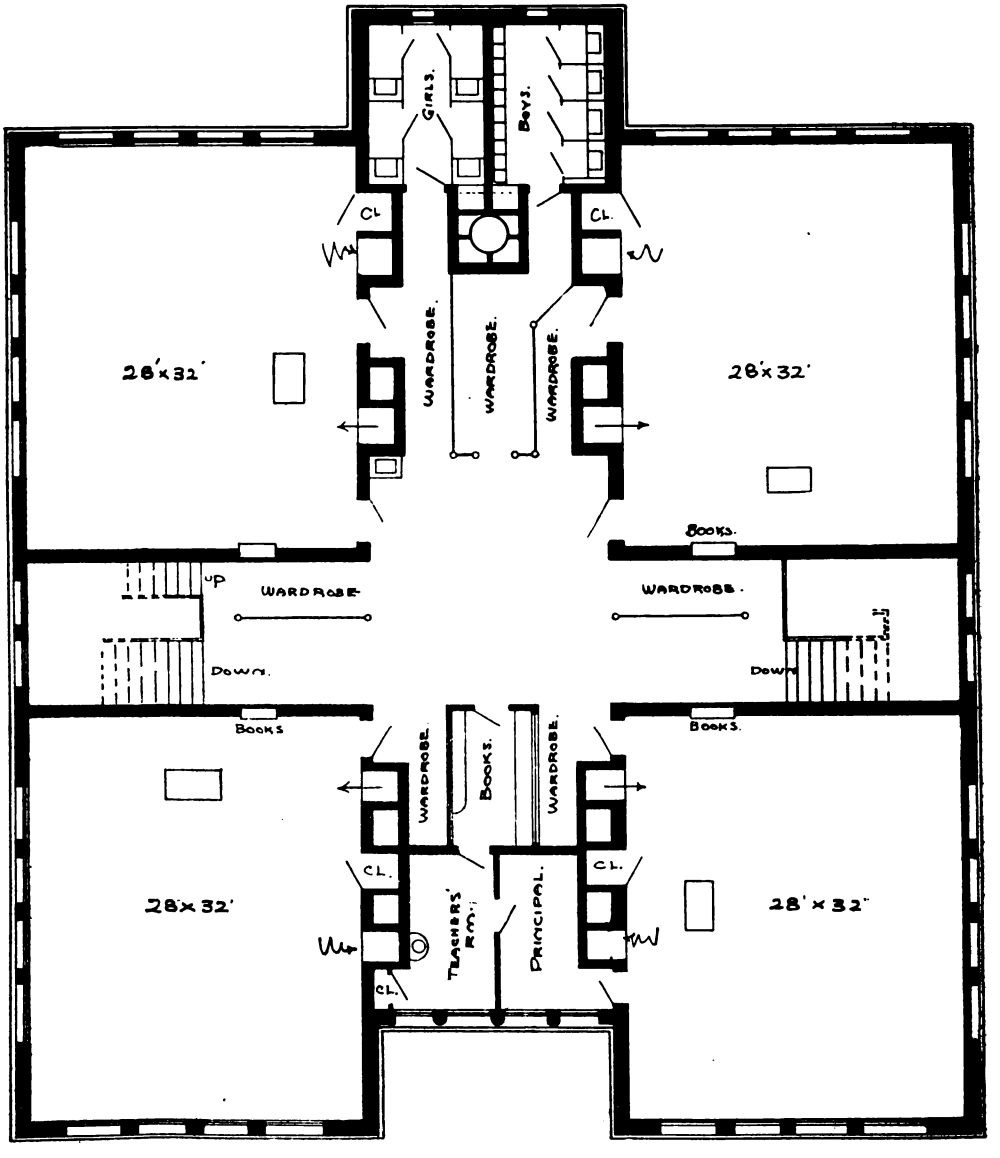

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There is urgent need of the new High School and the Briggs School. While much of the work of the High School is being accomplished reasonably well in the present quarters, all that depends upon laboratory facilities is of necessity far from satisfactory. The same is true of all exercises requiring for their highest success the combination of classes. Unless the John Street School is ready for use at the opening of the spring term in April, it will be necessary not only to continue the seriously crowded condition at Linden Street, but to deny for the second year admission to pupils five years of age who should begin their school work at that time.

CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

The action of the Committee in requiring the mopping and washing of the schoolhouses each vacation by the janitors and once at the middle of each term by special arrangement, should do much for the cleanliness of the buildings and the comfort and physical well-being of the pupils and the teachers. The general condition of the schools has been more satisfactory during the past year than previously. It is, of course, still possible to neglect them. They should be at all times ready for the inspection of the Committee or such other persons as may be interested in their condition. I am happy to say that the children have shown much interest in the neatness of their schoolrooms, and in nearly every room the wilful or careless marring of the furniture is unknown.

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

More than usual has been done in providing books and permanent supplies. At the beginning of the year Sheldon's Advanced Language Lessons was supplied to the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades. A large number of new geographies have been issued, Maury's Elementary being substituted for Butler's in Grade VI. In September the New Franklin Arithmetic, First Book, was introduced in the fourth grade, where no book was in use, and in the fifth and sixth grades in place of Venable's and Greenleaf's. Philip's Historical Reader, No. 1, was supplied to the pupils of the sixth grade. Webster's High School Dictionary has been furnished to the pupils of the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades, and the

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High School, and Webster's Common School Dictionary in Grades V and VI. We have also purchased a large number of elementary readers and considerable supplementary reading matter. Several sets of encyclopædias have been purchased and maps for the High School and several other schools. Altogether, including some 1800 pamphlets, we have purchased during the year the following:

Arithmetics,	1,454
Dictionaries,	1,376
Geographies,	1,112
Grammars,	985
Readers,	3,355
Other Books,	1,847
Total,	10,129

It should be remembered, however, that the general condition of our books and supplies was unsatisfactory and that what we have done has been mostly in the nature of making up deficiencies. Only a few of the reference books of the High School and but very little of the High School apparatus have been replaced.

IV.

FINANCES.

The ordinary expenditures of the school department for the year are shown in the following

COMPARATIVE TABLE.

	1895.	1896.
For Salaries,	$46,532.48	$50,163.07
Fuel,	3,216.11	4,646.80
Care,	3,606.27	4,008.03
Repairs,	3,069.83	2,290.66
Books,	3,505.28	3,750.18
Supplies,	2,669.99	3,149.27
Furniture,	1,632.82	149.26
Improvements,	569.08	1,357.99
Evening Schools,	920.74	871.40
Contingent,	2,277.40	2,613.34
	$68,000.00	$73,000.00

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Appropriation (1896), $73,000.00

The principal items in which there was an increase of expenditures for the past year over those of the preceding year are as follows:

Increase for teachers' salaries,	$3,602.59
Increase for fuel,	1,430.69
Increase for care,	401.76
Increase for supplies,	479.28
Increase for improvements,	788.91
Increase for contingent expenses,	335.94

The following amounts have been paid to the City Treasurer:

Receipts for tuition,	$389.70
Receipts from other sources,	4.96
Total receipts,	$394.66

	1895.	1896.
Total expenditures, Day Schools (not including extension and special repairs, and special provision for High School),	$61,203.69	$69,347.85
Expense per pupil, based on whole number enrolled (4226) (4287),	14.48	16.18
Expense per pupil, based on average number belonging (3492.94) (3472.47),	17.52	19.97

According to the last report of the State Board of Education, the cost of the schools of the State per pupil, based on the amount expended for public schools exclusive of repairing and erecting school houses and on the average number belonging in 1895, was $24.73. This is $4.76 more than our expenditure per pupil in 1896. *Had our expenditure per pupil equaled the average for the State, it would have required an addition of* $16,528 *to our appropriation.*

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TEACHERS' SALARIES.

The following schedule of teachers' salaries shows the number of teachers receiving the several amounts per week in 1893, in 1895, and in 1896:

Payment per Week.	No. in 1893.	No. in 1895.	No. in 1896.
$45.00	1	1	1
35.00	2	—	1
30 00	2	2	2
25.00	2	2	4
20.00	1	2	2
18.00	3	3	4
16.00	4	3	1
15.00	2	1	1
14.00	—	—	2
13.00	—	2	2
12.50	1	—	—
12.00	1	—	1
11.00	1	2	—
10.50	—	—	1
10.00	12	20	32
9.50	14	15	5
9.00	14	9	6
8.50	7	5	14
8.00	4	15	13
7.50	10	9	8
7.00	12	6	4
	—	—	— —
	93	99	104

The salary list for 1896 compares with that for 1895 and 1893 as follows: receiving above $400, two more than in the other years; receiving $400, twelve more than in 1895 and twenty more than in 1893; receiving from $380 to $320, six less than in 1895 and one less than in 1893; receiving from $300 to $280, three less than in 1895 and ten less than in 1893. While there is encouragement in the showing, it must be admitted that our salaries are still exceptionally low.

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INCREASED APPROPRIATION REQUIRED.

While it is natural to speak of the sums appropriated annually for the support of our schools as "large amounts," it should be clearly understood by all concerned that Pittsfield's expenditure per pupil is among the very lowest in Massachusetts. The statistics for 1896 are not yet available; but, *if our expenditure for* 1895 *had reached the average for the State, it would have required over* $90,000 *instead of* $68,000 the amount appropriated for the maintenance of our schools for that year.

The following occasions for a larger appropriation are more imperative than they proved to be last year, the delay in completing the new schoolhouses having considerably diminished the estimated expenditures for 1896:

The increased expense of maintaining the new and enlarged school buildings.

The necessity for additional furniture and supplies.

The employment of the additional teachers which the welfare of the pupils requires and the additional room permits.

The replacing of books, works of reference, and supplies lost in the High School fire and only partially replaced.

The replacing of the physical and chemical apparatus, which was entirely destroyed.

The necessity of fitting up and maintaining a Manual Training Department under the law applying to cities having more than 20,000 inhabitants.

The need of employing an additional teacher to take charge of the manual training, and probably one additional teacher for the other departments of the High School.

The establishment of one or more kindergartens in connection with our schools, should it be deemed advisable by the Committee.

The need of breaking over the maximum salary of $400 now paid in our primary and grammar schools, in the case of teachers who are clearly worth more than that to the city and who can readily secure better pay elsewhere.

The increase of other salaries which are confessedly less than are earned.

The continuance of needed improvements upon the older

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buildings which have been undertaken during the past three years and have been only partially completed.

The general improvement of the school grounds, especially in the direction of better walks and a better appearance.

V.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

POPULATION.

Population of Pittsfield, Mass. census, June, 1895,	20,461
Number of children between five and fifteen years of age, school census, May 1, 1895,	3,804
Number of children between five and fifteen years of age, was to the whole population as 1 to	5.379
Number of children between five and fifteen years of age, school census, May 1, 1896,	3,861
This number, multiplied by 5,379, gives as the estimated population of Pittsfield, June, 1896,	20,768

School population by wards:

	1895.	1896.		1895.	1896.
Ward One,	598	595	Ward Five,	569	553
Ward Two,	675	709	Ward Six,	713	721
Ward Three,	480	460	Ward Seven,	368	394
Ward Four,	401	429			

Increase from preceding year,	57
Number of children between eight and fourteen years of age, school census, May 1, 1896,	2,207

The nativity of the school population was as follows:

BORN IN UNITED STATES.	1895.	1896.	BORN IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.	1895.	1896.
Pittsfield,	2334	2448	Canada,	48	48
Elsewhere in Mass.,	713	657	England,	27	22
New York,	314	334	Ireland,	26	20
Connecticut,	113	90	Scotland,	14	13
Vermont,	23	20	Germany,	27	23
Rhode Island,	20	18	France,	30	29
Pennsylvania,	17	20	Russia,	6	11
Elsewhere in U. S.,	80	94	Sweden,	5	6
			Other Foreign Countries,	7	8
Total,	3614	3681	Total,	190	180

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TEACHERS.

	1895.	1896.
Teachers in High school, men,	2	2
Teachers in High school, women,	4	4
Teachers in Grammar grades, men,	2	2
Teachers in Grammar grades, women,	11	13
Teachers in Intermediate grades, women,	22	24
Teachers in Primary grades, women,	35	38
Teachers in Mixed grades, women,	21	19
Pupil teachers in Training School,	6	4
Special teachers, Music, 1; Drawing, 1,	2	2
Whole number of teachers,	99	104
Teachers in Evening schools, men,	5	2
Teachers in Evening schools, women,	7	6
Teachers in Day schools who are residents of Pittsfield,	85	89
Teachers who were educated in Pittsfield,	72	73
Teachers who are Normal graduates,	20	20
Teachers who are graduates of Training School,	53	55
Teachers who are College graduates,	5	5

PUPILS.

	1895.	1896.
Whole number of pupils enroled in the Day schools for the year ending Dec. 31,	4226	4287
Average membership of Day schools,	3492.9	3472.47
Average daily attendance in Day schools,	3244.6	3206.31
Per cent. of daily attendance to average membership,	92.89	92.33
Whole number of pupils enroled in Evening schools, (not including Drawing school),	195	326
Average number of pupils belonging to Evening schools,	126.81	108.01
Average daily attendance in Evening schools,	94.94	79.07
Per cent. of daily attendance to average membership belonging,	74.47	73.21
Largest number of pupils enroled in any one room, (Day schools),	133	150
Smallest number of pupils enroled in any one regular room,	12	14
Average number of pupils (membership) to regular teachers,	36.76	36.17
Number of boys enroled in Day schools during the year,	2110	2113

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Number of girls enroled in Day schools during the year,	2116	2174
Number of days absence,	46302	51402.5
Cases of tardiness,	6378	5916
Perfect in attendance entire year,	76	60
Perfect in attendance two terms,	260	225
Perfect in attendance one term,	891	889
Truants,	50	46

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS—1882—1897.

YEAR ENDING.	Census of Children between 5 and 15.	Enrolment.	Average Membership of the Schools.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance based on Average Membership.
March 31, 1882,	2611	2783	2057	1830	89.
March 31, 1883,	2732	2841	2166	1943	89.7
March 31, 1884,	2995	2881	2279	2067	90.7
March 31, 1885,	2870	3017	2413	2176	90.2
March 31, 1886,	2847	3051	2430	2217	91
March 31, 1887,	2854	3193	2395	2162	90.2
March 31, 1888,	3047	3236	2453	2226	90.7
March 31, 1889,	3197	3305	2610	2386	91.4
March 31, 1890,	3114	3366	2551	2309	90.5
January 1, 1891,	3276	3422	2729	2502	91.6
January 1, 1892,	3418	3537	2833	2567	90.6
January 1, 1893,	3561	3721	3043	2802	92.1
January 1, 1894,	3653	3969	3172	3005	94.
January 1, 1895,	3694	4111	3332	3094	92.9
January 1, 1896,	3804	4226	3493	3245	92.9
January 1, 1897,	3861	4287	3472	3206	92.3

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IN MEMORIAM.

Winifred S. Martin died July 3, 1896, aged 27 years.

She was born in Pittsfield, graduated at the High School in 1886, and completed the course in the Training School. During most of her teaching she was connected with the Intermediate Department of the Center School. She was a true-hearted and kindly woman and a faithful teacher. The state of her health compelled her to relinquish school work at the close of the last winter term, but her death came as a surprise to those with whom and for whom she had labored so faithfully. She will be held in loving remembrance by all who knew her.

Mrs. Louise Guilford-Howard.

Mrs. Louise Guilford-Howard, wife of Dr. A. G. Howard, of Roxbury, Mass., died at her home in Roxbury, Mass., Sept. 5, 1896. She was a graduate of the P. H. S., '87 and also of the Training school, and had been connected with the schools of Pittsfield since her graduation at the latter place. Kind, lovable, and sympathetic, she had won a warm place in the hearts of teachers and pupils alike. Her work as a teacher had been thorough and successful, and she was greatly missed from the ranks of the teachers at Linden St., where she had taught for several years.

Let us hope that the record of her life, to those with whom she was associated, may teach a lesson of devotion, earnestness, and fidelity. Her early death is greatly mourned.

CONCLUSION.

The year has been full of labors and full of cares. I trust that the labors have not been in vain and that the care has been productive of good. We have already profited greatly by the city's liberality in providing better school accommodations, and ampler facilities await us. For the fidelity and zeal manifested by pupils and teachers, for the helpful interest of parents and citizens, and for the uniform kindness and hearty co-operation of the Committee, I desire to make grateful acknowledgement.

Respectfully yours,

EUGENE BOUTON,
Superintendent of Schools.

Pittsfield, January, 1897.

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Special Reports.

I.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

EUGENE BOUTON, SUPERINTENDENT:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report for the High School for the year just closed.

In many respects, despite the crowded condition and the manifest inconveniences of our present quarters, I have reason to regard the work accomplished as very satisfactory. Our attendance has never been better, and the fortitude, with which the pupils have made the most of their poorly adapted quarters, deserves more than passing notice.

The work of the school has continued along the same lines as last year, departing as little from the course of study followed before the burning of our building, as the exigencies of the situation would admit. In some classes better work has been done than last year, and to some extent this is true of the whole school.

The discipline of the school is even better than last year, and the general tone and bearing of the pupils towards their teachers have been, with very few exceptions, all that their teachers could expect.

A large percentage of the graduates of last June are pursuing studies in higher institutions of learning, or doing special work in our Training School. While this is not the main object of the school, yet to my mind it is a sign of healthfulness. A larger proportion of the graduates of this year will continue their education elsewhere.

During the year just closed two regular teachers, and one special teacher, have left the school for other scenes of usefulness. While changes are always undesirable, yet their places have been filled by competent teachers, and I have reason to believe very little harm has resulted. I think that the French, which has always been a popular study in the school, is in

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better hands than ever before. Mr. Bouteiller has already aroused the enthusiasm of his pupils.

In view of the fact that the course of study will undergo a decided change when we have the use of our new building, I omit such suggestions and recommendations as I might otherwise venture to make. I desire, however, to repeat my suggestion of last year, regarding the science work of the Senior Class. I am firmly convinced that these pupils could study, part of the year, some science allied to civics with more profit than could be derived from that study alone.

I take pleasure in renewing my acknowledgments to the teachers associated with me in the school. They are faithful and painstaking, not alone to the regular duties of the school, but to the other opportunities of usefulness which come to every earnest teacher.

In conclusion, allow me to express my appreciation of your interest in the school, and in whatever tends for its improvement. I desire through you, to express my thanks to the members of the School Committee, who have done so much towards the success of the past year.

Very truly yours,

C. A. BYRAM, Principal.

Graduating Exercises, Class of '96, Thursday Evening, June 25, at the Academy of Music.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Music,	Orchestra
Salutatory—Co-education,	Marietta Murphy
Violin Solo—With Piano Accompaniment,	Misses Hermance and Rice
Recitation—"The Boat Race,"	Lillian M. Howard
Music—(a) Piano Solo,	Bella Kelm
(b) Piano Quartet,	Misses Casey, Kelm, Howard and Mr. Gorman
Address—"Onward and Upward in Education,"	E. Benjamin Andrews, Ph. D., LL. D.
Song,	Emma Martha White
Piano Solo,	Katharine Agnes Curtin
Last Will and Testament of '96,	Jean Belden Tucker
Piano Duet,	Misses Thickins and Howard
Music,	Orchestra
Conferring Diplomas,	Mayor Walter F. Hawkins
Singing Class Ode.	

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CLASS ODE.

WORDS BY FLORENCE ESTELLE LOOP.

Four years we have journeyed together,
Our pathways have blended in one,
And daily in school at our lessons,
The same happy lot we have run.

But now we have come to the turning,
Our paths lie in various ways;
And a lingering sadness steals o'er us,
As we think of the long dreary days.

We know that our lives will be varied,
We'll be tested in numerous ways;
Some parts may be deep in the shadow,
Some kissed by the sun's warmest rays.

But with faces turned upward and onward,
Our goal in the heavens we'll fix;
And ask as we leave our dear schoolroom,
Your best wishes for brave '96.

NAMES OF GRADUATES.

"The End Crowns All."

CLASSICAL COURSE.

Lucy Madeline Bacon.
Mary Agnes Casey,
Augusta Lydia Edwards,
Albert C. England,
Florence Estelle Loop.
Michael J. Sullivan,
Bessie Hall Wentworth,
Ralph Wentworth.

SCIENTIFIC COURSE.

Martha J. Breckenbridge,
Bessie M. Bridges,
John Edward Connor,
Margaret M. Flemming,
William James Gorman,
Edith Lovin Hermance,
Lillian M. Howard,
John J. Kinney,
Lydia Mabel Munson,
Marietta Murphy,
Florence S. Murray,
Mary Elizabeth O'Brien,
Edith Colton Rice,
Ada M. Thickens,
Jean Belden Tucker,
Jennie F. Waite,
Emma Martha White.

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ENGLISH COURSE.

Sarah Agnes Coyne,
Katharine Agnes Curtin,
Richard H. Gamwell,
John A. Hatch,
Anna Lauretta Hynes,
Bella Kelm,
Loring Griswold Robbins,
Wallace D. Shipton,
Julia Agnes Stapleton,
John Bailey Thickins,
Emma C. Van Valkenburg.

II.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

To EUGENE BOUTON, Superintendent of Schools:

DEAR SIR:—I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 18, 1896. This year's record shows that 360 pupils have been enroled. The plan of instruction has been similar to that of last year. Special attention has been given to reading and the work you compiled for the study of the English language. Lessons in "sight" arithmetic have been given in connection with the regular class exercises to develop accuracy and rapidity in common practical problems.

There were several applicants for the Training Class but owing to their inability to pass the examination only four were admitted. The work for the first half of the year has been the reviewing of the common branches of knowledge, the study of the History of Education, Psychology and practice in class work, and school management.

The new supervisor in drawing G. H. Denison instructs both the pupil-teachers and the children. Mr. Smith looks after the music in both departments. In rooms 6 and 7 electric lights are needed. The pupils on dark days are troubled to read print or script. We would consider it a great kindness if the School Board would favorably consider this matter. The new set of Encyclopedias have been very helpful. We will gladly receive other contributions, as a good library is a valuable acquisition to our work.

Many things have been conducive to promote progressive work in our school this year. Excellent material was sent us from the Pittsfield High School. The permanent teachers have worked faithfully and zealously to develop interest and thoroughness. The parents have visited us frequently and we

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have received several testimonials of their appreciation of the work we are doing for their children. The plan you have devised for permitting substitute teachers to render service to pupils that need special attention has been exceedingly helpful.

We often receive and transfer pupils mentally and physically deformed. The parents of these children fully appreciate the patient endeavors of the teachers who may have the care and instruction of such pupils. When such a child or class is transferred, special cards stating their merits and defects might be issued, so that proper recognition may be given to the pupil and teacher.

The graduating exercises of the Training Class took place June 23, 1896. Mr. Ballard kindly consented to award the diplomas. He delivered an eloquent address, which was listened to with marked attention by the large number who attended the exercises. The following program was successfully rendered:

ORDER OF EXERCISES.—GRADE 1.

Chorus,	School
Exercise, Reading (class of beginners), Essay, "John H. Pestalozzi,	Frances L. Boland
Chorus,	School
Exercise, Numbers, Essay, "Famous Women,"	Elizabeth A. Joyce

GRADE 11.

Chorus,	School
Exercise, Drawing, Essay, "Discipline,"	Helen B. Francis
Chorus,	School
Exercise, Music, Essay, "The Philosophers of the 17th Century,"	Sara G. Toohey

GRADE III.

Chorus,	School
Exercise, Information and Culture Essay, "Method of Awakening Thought and Interest,"	Elizabeth L. Solon

GRADE IV.

Chorus,	School
Exercise, Geography and Sight Reading, Essay, "Purpose and Influence of Education,"	Mary A. Pratt
Presentation of Diplomas,	Mr. H. H. Ballard

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NAMES OF GRADUATES.

"We Learn to Do by Doing."

Frances Lauretta Boland,	Helen Belle Francis,
Elizabeth Agatha Joyce,	Mary Anna Pratt,
Elizabeth Loretta Solon,	Sara Genevieve Toohey.

For the kind interest manifested by you and favors accorded us by the School Board we return grateful acknowledgment.

Respectfully submitted,

ARABELLA ROACH.

III.

REPORT OF THE EVENING SCHOOL AT RUSSELLS.

SUPERINTENDENT BOUTON:

Dear Sir:—The Evening School at Russells has been in session fifteen weeks during the year 1896.

The report for the term beginning December 30, 1895, and ending March 2, 1896, a period of nine weeks, is as follows:

Whole number enroled,	39
Males,	37
Females,	2
Largest attendance,	26
Smallest,	7
Average,	15.86

Report for the term beginning Nov. 9, 1896, and ending Dec. 18, 1896, a period of six weeks.

Whole number enroled,	133
Males,	92
Females,	41
Largest attendance,	82
Smallest attendance,	41
Average,	64

The school opened this winter with a large attendance, exceding, I think, all previous years, making it necessary to have an additional teacher. It can easily be seen that an evening school requires more teachers in proportion to the uumber of pupils than a day school requires, because of the unequal attainments of the pupils.

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I would suggest that the schools begin, hereafter, as early as the first of October that they may receive the benefit of the long evenings and also of the good weather which is more apt to prevail in the fall and early winter than later.

I would further suggest that a term of definite length be decided upon that the work may be carried on more systematically, for by so doing, I think a better attendance could be maintained to the end of the term.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. GARDNER.

IV.

REPORT OF THE EVENING SCHOOL AT STEARNSVILLE.

TO SUPERINTENDENT EUGENE BOUTON:

The report covers the time from Dec. 30 to March 27, a period of thirteen weeks, and from Nov. 30 to Dec. 18, a period of three weeks.

The fall of attendance during the winter term was caused by the cold blustering months of February and March.

Pupils were as diligent and orderly as the previous year. The progress in writing was remarkable A cheerful interest was manifested during the time given to it.

The attendance of the fall term was regular. The school work showed good results because of a well arranged course of study and the efforts of pupils and teachers.

Many pupils have been present nearly every evening for two years. Eighteen were not absent during the fall term. The school closed with a membership of fifty.

The statistics for the winter term are as follows:

Number of pupils enroled,	54
Males,	48
Females,	6
Greatest attendance on any one evening,	38
Smallest,	6
Average membership,	32.48
Average daily attendance,	23.88
Per cent. of attendance,	73.53

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The statistics for the fall term are:

Number of pupils enroled,	58
Males,	48
Females,	10
Greatest attendance on any one evening,	45
Smallest,	32
Average membership,	49.00
Average daily attendance,	41.25
Per cent. of attendance,	84.18

Respectfully submitted.

HELENA J. JORDAN, Principal.

V.

REPORT OF THE EVENING SCHOOL AT THE CENTER.

SUPERINTENDENT BOUTON:

The Center Evening School has been in session seven weeks during the year 1896.

The report of the term beginning Jan. 6, 1896, and ending Jan, 31, 1896, a period of four weeks, is as follows:

Whole number enroled,	44
Males,	34
Females,	10
Largest attendance,	27
Smallest,	6
Average,	14 37

The report for the term beginning Nov. 30, 1896, and ending Dec. 18, 1896, a period of three weeks, is as follows:

Whole number enroled,	41
Males,	32
Females,	9
Largest attendance,	24
Smallest,	8
Average,	20.77

The spirit of work prevails and the order is good.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA S. PUTNAM, Principal.

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VI.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.

SUPERINTENDENT BOUTON:

Dear Sir:—I am very much pleased with the progress made in the department of drawing in the past year. The interest shown by the pupils is very gratifying. I have received reports from a number of the teachers showing where many of the pupils have voluntarily remained in at recess in order that they might have extra time to draw. In the past term I have tried to give each pupil a personal criticism, which has been a success, inasmuch as I could show each one their mistakes and also how to correct them.

I would suggest that every room in the city be furnished with at least four good pictures. I do not mean by this large pictures and large frames, but good reproductions from old and modern masters, which can be obtained for a very small sum. It would not only make the rooms more pleasant and attractive but they would be a benefit to the pupils and a help to the teachers.

The Evening Drawing School opened Nov. 9th, 1896. So far we have a mempership of 27. Some very good work is being done.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. DENISON.

VII.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

SUPERINTENDENT EUGENE BOUTON:

No marked difference has characterized the method of work the past year, yet from having so much better supplies and the regular teachers giving to music its alloted time the result has been a higher average of work in the schools throughout the city and town.

In the High School considering the difficulties on account of location, there is a good degree of interest and manifest improvement.

The Training School maintains its usual high standing and the teachers who graduated from it the last summer are among the most successful in teaching music.

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The Primary Schools are receiving better scale drill than heretofore.

I would like to call your attention to the matter of written examinations in music. If the scholars are to pass a good written examination they must necessarily spend considerable time in writing. I am able to give only fifteen minutes in a week or ten hours in a year to each school and the regular teacher one hour a week or forty hours in a year and could not that time be more profitably spent in singing and oral teaching?

It is with pleasure that I acknowledge the faithful work of the teachers associated with me.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. SMITH,

Supervisor of Music.

VIII.

TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

To SUPERINTENDENT EUGENE BOUTON.

DEAR SIR:—My work as Truant Officer for the year past may be summarized in the following

Statistical Report.

Schools.	Reported Absent without Excuse.	Parents Interviewed.	Truants.	Cases of Truancy.	Children taken into Court.	Children sentenced to Truant School.
Linden Street,	347	347	25	180	7	3
Center Grammar,	3	3	0	0	0	0
Center Intermediate,	13	13	1	9	1	1
Orchard Street,	35	35	6	49	0	0
Training,	46	46	3	11	1	0
Morningside,	62	62	4	45	1	0
Fenn Street,	42	42	1	2	0	0
Elizabeth Street,	10	10	4	6	0	0
Stearnsville,	5	5	1	1	0	0
Pontoosuc,	1	1	0	0	0	0
West Pittsfield,	2	2	0	0	0	0
North Woods,	1	1	1	20	1	0
Total,	567	567	46	323	11	4

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The ages of those taken into court were: two 14, two 13, one 12, two 11, three 10, and one 9 years of age.

The *Statistical Report* does not convey as accurate a picture as usual of the situation with reference to truancy during the year. By an act of the legislature last winter the Truant School at Becket was discontinued. The truant school at Springfield was not open for our use until October 1st. During this interval there was no real power back of the Truant Officer, consequently the administration was weak and truancy became more aggressive and bold.

The cases of contagious diseases as reported to us by the *Board of Health* were as follows:

Diphtheria 51, *Scarlet fever* 6, *Measels* 18, and *Typhoid fever* 1.

During the fall term the School Committee voted that I should visit the factories employing young help, to see whether any were employed who should be in school. Since then I have visited 8 such factories and have found the employers uniformly law-abiding in this respect.

The facts revealed by the *Annual School Census* are these: The children between 5 and 15 years of age on the 1st of May, 1896, were in

1st Ward,	595
2nd Ward,	709
3rd Ward,	460
4th Ward,	429
5th Ward,	553
6th Ward,	721
7th Ward,	394
Total between 5 and 15,	3861
" " 8 and 14,	2207

Respectfully submitted,

ASHER STARKWEATHER,
Truant Officer.

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School Department.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1897.

HON. WALTER F. HAWKINS, MAYOR,

CHAIRMAN EX-OFFICIO.

WILLIAM B. RICE,

CHAIRMAN IN ABSENCE OF MAYOR.

WILLIAM NUGENT,

SECRETARY.

EUGENE BOUTON, PH. D.,

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

MEMBERS:

		RESIDENCE.	TERM EXPIRES.
Ward 1—	JOHN WELDON,	Crane Avenue,	1900.
	REV. C. J. BOYLAN,	83 Briggs Avenue,	1900.
Ward 2—	Dr. WM. M. MERCER,	142 First Street,	1900.
	ED. H. BRIDGMAN,	Dalton Road,	1900.
Ward 3—	F. F. READ,	409 Fenn Street,	1899.
	F. R. STRONG,	201 Fenn Street,	1899.
Ward 4—	WM. L. ADAM,	16 West Housatonic St.	1899.
	H. H. BALLARD,	247 South Street,	1899.
Ward 5—	F. A. SMITH,	Stearnsville,	1898.
	WILLIAM NUGENT,	76 Elizabeth Street,	1898.
Ward 6—	J. M. LINNEHAN,	306 West Street,	1898.
	JOHN HAYDEN,	631 North Street,	1898.
Ward 7—	WM. B. RICE,	98 Union Street,	1899.
	WM. K. RICE,	118 Bradford Street,	1900.

Regular meetings the first Thursday evening of each month, at 8 o'clock.

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Standing Committees.

1897.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—W. B Rice, Dr. W. M. Mercer, H. H. Ballard.

BUILDINGS AND SITES—F. F. Read, F. A. Smith, E. H. Bridgman.

TEXT BOOKS—Rev. C. J. Boylan, H. H. Ballard, W. L. Adam.

MUSIC AND DRAWING—W. L. Adam, F. R. Strong, W. K. Rice.

EVENING SCHOOLS—F. R. Strong, William Nugent, John Weldon.

HIGH SCHOOL—H. H. Ballard, Rev. C. J. Boylan, J. M. Linnehan.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS—Wm. B. Rice, E. H. Bridgman, F. R. Strong.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS—Dr. W. M. Mercer, W. K. Rice, John Weldon.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS—W. L Adam, F. F. Read, John Hayden.

RURAL SCHOOLS—William Nugent, E. H. Bridgman, F. A. Smith.

TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTION—W. B. Rice, H. H. Ballard, Dr. W. M. Mercer, W. L. Adam, William Nugent.

FUEL COMMITTEE—F. F. Read, John Hayden, J. M. Linnehan.

REPRESENTATIVE IN MEETINGS OF CITY COUNCIL—W. L. Adam.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO ACT WITH COMMITTEE OF CITY COUNCIL, BUILDING NEW SCHOOLHOUSES—F. A. Smith, William Nugent, F. F. Read.

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REPORT

OF THE

Board of Public Works.

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REPORT

OF THE

Board of Public Works

OF THE

CITY OF PITTSFIELD,

FOR THE YEAR 1896.

To His Honor the Mayor, and the Honorable City Council:

GENTLEMEN:

The Board of Public Works begs leave to present herewith a report of their operations for the year 1896.

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WATER WORKS.

The City is to be congratulated upon the present good condition and efficiency of the Water Works. There has been no shortage of supply during the past year. Beginning the year with Lake Ashley five feet below the top of the dam on January 13, it was full April 16, and was at no time in the summer more than 17 inches below the top of the dam, at its lowest point. Mill brook was turned into our mains June 5, and that with the copious rains which fell after July first, kept up our supply of water during the summer with very little draft upon the lake. In October the lake was full again, and we entered upon the winter with an ample supply. The Board

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does not wish to be understood, however, as indicating that we have an inexhaustible supply of water. Increasing population, greater use of sewers, extension of distributing mains, and the recurrence of dry seasons, will make the question of water supply almost a continual problem.

We desire to call your attention to the very much improved condition of our distributing system. During the last four years a great change has been made in that system, making available a very much larger volume of water for fire extinguishment, a better pressure, and a more satisfactory supply for domestic purposes. The laying of the main from the Tannery through the eastern part of the City to Pontoosuc; the main from Middle street through the southern part of the City to the Pomeroy mills; and the main from North street through Linden street to Onota, have easily doubled the average value of the works for the purpose of fire protection. The laying of the eight inch pipe in Peck's road and connecting with the steam pump in the mill of the Peck Mfg. Co. has been accomplished, and furnishes an additional safeguard in case of fire. Not only can that pump be made use of in case the supply from the City mains is too small to handle a fire in that portion of the City, but in case of a severe fire in the central portion of the City, that pump can be made use of and can force one thousand gallons per minute of water into our mains. This constitutes a second source of water supply in case of fire, and is available at any moment.

The addition of Hathaway brook in 1893 and Mill brook in 1895 have helped our supply and have also operated to increase our pressure somewhat. The reservoirs on those brooks are somewhat higher in elevation than the reservoir on Ashley brook, and the additional mains operate to reduce friction, so that our pressure averages fully five pounds greater than when Pittsfield became a City, and is sustained much better. A large proportion of our fire hydrants will now furnish powerful streams for fire fighting. The hydrants themselves have been improved fully as much as the system of mains. During the last three years nearly all the hydrants set have been of larger pattern, having two hose nozzles and steamer connec-

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tion, and now fully half the hydrants in the City are of that style.

The past year has been marked by no great single work in the water department, but more distributing mains have been laid, however, than in any year in the history of the works, so far as we know. Including the Linden Street feeding pipe, there was laid about four and one-half miles of pipes. It is hardly likely that there will be a necessity for as many pipe extensions the coming year. There are, however, a few places where new pipes of a larger capacity ought to be laid in place of old rusty pipes of small diameter.

The report of our Engineer, which is appended, will deal with the particulars of the survey of Lake Ashley, by which the capacity of that body was ascertained. It is evident, from that survey, and from our experience, that the storage capacity of that lake can be increased by raising the dam and wings, and increased storage capacity is very much needed in connection with our water works. If the work of raising the dam at Lake Ashley is undertaken the old dam should be carefully examined, and might be found to be in such condition as to require entire rebuilding.

Upon recommendation of your Honorable Bodies we caused an investigation to be made into the practicability of building a larger reservoir at the place where Ashley brook is now taken into our pipes.. The report of our Engineer will give the details of that work. It seems to be imperative to secure increased storage capacity at that point or some other point, so that the City may have a larger body of water to draw upon in case of fire or any other circumstance rendering it necessary. At present our four distributing reservoirs contain scarcely more than one day's supply. Ashley lake is several miles away up the mountain, and to get water from that requires from six to ten hours and more in winter time. That is to say the time occupied in going up there and opening the gate, and time occupied in the water flowing down the mountain to Ashley reservoir will aggregate that much. It requires no explanation to convince any one of the desirability of more impounding room which will be quickly accessible, and from which water can be obtained immediately.

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The following table shows the financial operations of the year in the water works:

RECEIPTS.

From water rates, meter and schedule,	$38,506 04

EXPENDITURES.

For Maintenance of the works,	$5,834 96
For Interest,	11,750 46

Showing a balance of $20,920.62, which may be termed the profit of the works for the year 1896.

There have been expended the following amounts for new work, which should be reckoned as additions to the plant or capital.

Extension of pipe lines,	$21,676 96
Ashley Lake survey,	575 06
Mill Brook Addition,	815 13
	$23,067 15

The city has paid $19,000 upon the water debt during the year.

The collections for water rates during the year show an increase of only $128.83 over those of 1895. Owing to the change in the time of collecting the water rates, consumers paid for 13 months in 1895, which accounts for the large increase in that year, and the comparatively small increase for 1896.

The following table shows the receipts from water rates and the expenditures for construction, interest and debt, as accurately as they can be gathered from the reports of the Fire District and the City, up to and including the year 1896:

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Year Ending.	Paid for Construction.	Construction and other expenses.	Interest on Debt.	Total Paid.	Income Wt'r Rates
Jan. 1, 1857					$ 787 81
1858					1,546 98
1859					2,098 56
1860					3,242 04
1861					3,098 92
1862					3,150 00
1863					3,450 00
1864					3,970 00
1865					4,212 10
1866	$ 64,000 00		$ 29,820 87	$29,820 87	4,788 43
1867	3,457 37		4,071 99	4,071 99	4,901 21
Apr. 1, 1868	4,209 32	$ 71,167 04	4,291 62	75,458 99	5,515 02
1869	27,332 73	30,646 93	6,186 87	36,833 80	6,165 04
1870	26,154 49	30,258 69	8,062 65	38,321 24	8,202 32
1871	3,953 15	6,553 40	8,339 50	14,892 90	8,371 21
1872	319 48	4,378 06	8,444 01	12,822 07	9,354 00
1873	9,950 90	20,362 42	9,216 39	29.578 81	10,303 14
1874	20,698 05	25,272 32	10,525 25	35,797 57	10,630 48
1875	9,724 84	10,420 34	11,206 00	21,626 34	10,501 08
1876	25,002 57	27,512 11	11,892 00	39.404 11	13,054 98
1877	779 51	4,790 76	11,750 00	16,540 76	13,072 13
1878	910 77	2,677 48	11,916 69	14,594 17	13,581 82
1879	72 02	1,948 43	11,980 15	13,938 58	15,480 82
1880	1,183 82	3,122 46	12,689 53	15,811 99	15,974 56
1881	935 92	3,345 19	11,814 11	15,159 30	16,668 75
1882	11,295 26	14,486 02	11,896 13	26,382 15	16,528 50
1883	9,512 32	13,315 81	12,175 22	25,491 03	17,731 57
1884	3,611 32	5,542 04	12,320 00	17.862 04	18,818 75
1885	4,077 34	7,420 95	12,320 00	19,740 95	19,084 41
1886	4,080 35	6,626 06	11,045 00	17,671 06	20,696 78
1887	8,217 62	11,258 96	11,256 00	22,508 96	20,869 43
1888	2,719 68	6,506 42	11,095 00	17.601 42	22,461 58
1889	2,962 52	8,066 79	9,638 14	17,704 93	24,212 36
1890	38,860 26	43,595 07	9,200 00	53,159 07	25,330 07
Jan. 1, 1891	3,251 12	8,841 83	6,700 90	15.541 83	22,752 66
1892	8,696 74	8,696 74	10,415 83	19,112 57	28,615 37
1893	17,302 36	20,297 79	10,716 50	31,014 29	30,081 82
1894	5,479 58	11,600 81	10,427 50	22,028 31	31,425 61
1895	34,756 16	40,004 76	11,511 15	51,515 91	33,815 13
1896	57,772 70	64,564 46	11,943 56	76,508 02	38,377 21
1897	22,492 09	28,902 11	11,750 46	40,652 57	38,506 04
	433,772 42	542,556 25	353,612 12	889,168 37	601,428 70

We would suggest that each department be required to stand by itself and maintain itself from the funds set apart for that purpose. The Water department ought not to furnish the School department with water at less rates than private individuals or firms have to pay, thereby enabling the school department to make a better showing and forcing the water department to make a poorer showing than it ought. The

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price now paid for water in all the school houses is $55 net per six months, or $110 per year. We attached a meter to the Orchard street school, and found that in round numbers 30,000 gallons of water per day were being consumed in the two buildings there. At that rate of consumption reckoned at metered water rates the water rate for that building should be nearly or quite $400 per year. The Russells school, the Elizabeth street, the John street and the High school are all modern buildings and will use water in about the same proportion. Based on the result of the investigation at Orchard street, the water department ought to receive $2,000 to $2,500 from the City schools.

Another instance of a like nature is the abatement of water rates for people who are unable to pay. The Poor department refuses to pay water rates for needy people, and as a result the Board is obliged to abate them. From $500 to $1,000 worth of abatements are made on this account every year, and the poor accounts show so much better and the water accounts so much poorer by the means. If there are people who need assistance from the City the accounts of the poor department should show the business, and not those of the water department.

The Board believes also, that the funds of the water department ought to be kept separate from the general funds of the City. The income of the water department would take care of the department and gradually liquidate the debt. At present the income of the department goes into the general fund, and the support of the works and payments for interest and principal are made from the general funds. The tendency is to create new indebtedness for purposes which might be paid for from the income of the department.

Our water works have now become so large, and our water is drawn from so many sources, that the Board is of the opinion that the example of other cities should be followed and a man detailed to care for the water shed, keeping the water free from pollution, watching the gates, and generally keep the works in order, and the supply in the distributing reservoirs constant.

The Board called the attention of the City Council of 1896

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to the necessity of some action looking to the removal of sources of pollution of our water works. The Honorable Bodies visited the location and saw the condition of things. It was the hope of the Board that some definite steps might have been taken during the year for the removal of the causes of the pollution. We consider this matter of such vital importance to the health of our community that we call your attention to the necessity for action, either by the City or by the State Board of Health.

HIGHWAYS.

The work on the Highways for the year has been probably larger in volume than that of any year since the Board was first organized. No State road has been built, but the special jobs on Tyler and Burbank Streets, Peck's Road and Pontoosuc Avenue, have taken the time and labor instead. Elsewhere will be found detailed accounts of the conduct of this department and its expenditures.

The work on Peck's Road was not completed, nor was that on Pontoosuc Avenue. Doubtless your Honorable Bodies will be asked to make appropriations for the completion of both these

We desire to call attention to the desirability of the adoption of some plan by which appropriations of money can be made each year for the purpose of building good roadbeds upon our principal streets. The system of State Highways, if continued, will provide good roads on the main highways from Pittsfield leading outwardly, but the making of good roadbeds on our streets in the center of the City, rests with Pittsfield itself. Thus far there have been a few thousands of dollars appropriated by piecemeal, and expended on macadam roadways. The work performed in that direction has been good as far as it went, but there has not been enough of it to make a showing on our large mileage of streets and roads. If some definite plan of managing the financial end of the question can be adopted, the Board can begin systematic work in paving and macadamizing. There seems to be a public sentiment in favor of paving North Street the coming year. We would suggest that in the event that your Honorable

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Bodies decide to take steps in that direction, the question of putting underground everything which is likely to require to be put underground, be met and disposed of before the paving is begun.

One of the worst things for either paving or macadam is the constant digging up for the purpose of laying pipes, sewers, gas mains, making connections with them for houses and blocks, etc.

In this connection it may be of interest to glance at the amounts of money expended upon streets by other Massachusetts cities about the same size of Pittsfield. For that purpose the following table has been compiled, from the latest reports of the several cities named. Care has been taken to sift out every item of expenditure for anything in the nature of permanent work, giving only the population of each place and the amount of money expended for the ordinary care of their roads and streets.

	Population.	Expended.
Quincy,	21,000	$20,916 84
Taunton,	27,000	24,124 80
Chelsea,	31,000	21,193 08
Northampton,	16,000	11,180 29
Newburyport,	14,000	16,667 65
Newton,	27,000	51,869 54
Marlboro,	15,000	14,457 94
Malden,	29,000	35,955 33
Chicopee,	16,000	10,630 00
Waltham,	20,000	24,988 98
Medford,	14,000	23,070 80
Fitchburg,	26,000	32,196 32
Gloucester,	28,000	23,781 20
Brockton,	33,000	35,640 91
Woburn,	14,000	18,125 92
Haverhill,	30,000	23,348 10
North Adams,	20,000	10,994 80
Pittsfield,	20,000	16,050 38

The figures given for North Adams are for the expenditures of 1895. The estimate for the coming year is $20,000.

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These figures show Pittsfield to be about at the small end of the list of Massachusetts cities in the matter of expenditures for highway purposes, and the comparison puts us in a still worse light, when it is remembered that while we have very much over one hundred miles of public streets and roads, many cities do not have over half of that mileage.

While the Board does not advocate any plunging into large and careless expenditures for streets, yet it does seem to us that it will be wise economy to expend larger amounts of money for permanent street improvements. The public taste in the matter of streets and roads is improving every year. The increase in the use of bicycles is making critics of hundreds of people who heretofore never gave the matter of roads a thought, and what would be perfectly satisfactory a few years ago will not be tolerated now. The City has practically no permanent roads, and the expense of keeping gravel and dirt roads in condition to satisfy modern demands will increase yearly.

Expression has been given to some degree of disappointment with the durability and present condition of the macadam roads which have been put down in the City in the past. Some of the dissatisfaction is justified by the condition of the roads, and some is the result of too great expectations concerning the durability of such roads. Cities generally do not consider macadam a proper material for roadways on business streets. The traffic on North Street is too heavy for macadam. A satisfactory condition cannot be obtained and kept on that street without some permanent roadbed other than macadam. Fenn Street and Columbus Avenue have both been excavated for the construction of sewers, and also subjected to heavy traffic. Depot Street was macadamized with flint stone and has borne the heavy traffic to which it has been subjected very well. The grade of the street has taken the water from it quickly, and its good condition today is probably due to that fact. Clapp Avenue, Pearl Street and South Street were macadamized with trap rocks and are in good condition, and give satisfaction. Upper North Street had a section of trap rock macadam put down on it, and has done fairly well. Wahconah Street was macadamized with trap

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rock, and the upper portion, consisting of the finer grades of stone, is gone, leaving the street rather rough. This is probably due to the shape of the street, the very heavy traffic over it, and the dry period with high winds, which followed its completion. It can be made as good as ever by loosening the stone, adding a light coating of the finer grades, and rolling.

One cause of rapid wear of macadam roads is the material brought upon them by teams from other roads which are not macadamized. This material assists in the process of grinding of the surface of the macadam. The State Highway Commission recognize this as one of the enemies of macadam.

With all its imperfections, no citizen would be willing to exchange the little macadam we have for the state of affairs which existed in the same streets before macadamizing.

SURFACE DRAINAGE.

This work has been of considerable importance the past year, and including the Bradford Street drain, the Center Street sewer, the regular surface drainage appropriation, and the amount of money from the Highway account devoted to that work, the expenditures have amounted to about $12,000. Also portions of the expenditures on Peck's Road, and Pontoosuc Avenue were for the removal of surface water.

The care of this storm water will continue to call for relatively large expenditures of money. While the City now has its sewer system it has no system of surface drainage. The Bradford Street drain is the beginning of a well planned and effective system of surface water drains. Other portions of the City are cared for by a sort of temporary makeshift lines of drains, and will eventually need thorough systems like that in Bradford Street.

The Bradford Street line was extended eastward about 500 feet during the season, and a proper number of catchbasins and manholes built upon it. This line should be continued each year until completed.

The construction of new streets through the Pollock property, opening upon Elm Street, brought a large amount of surface water upon that street in a short time during rains. The drains which had heretofore taken it away, were too

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small and it became necessary to do something for the relief of the locality at and near the junction of Elm and Newell Streets. This Board proceeded to lay a new drain from the junction of Elm and Newell Streets across private land to the river, and construct new catchbasins.

Near the Government mill the surface water has been a source of trouble for several years, and the building of the street car tracks made it necessary to dispose of it. Accordingly a line of pipe was laid, catchbasins built and a long stretch of gutters paved. The water was conducted to the river west of the Government mill.

STATE HIGHWAY.

Pittsfield not having been awarded any State highway in 1896, the Board had nothing to do in that direction. We would recommend that the proper steps be taken by your Honorable Bodies, early in the coming year, to secure the award of a section of State road in Pittsfield. The efforts in that direction in 1896 were too late. In order to be effectual such efforts should be set on foot very early in the year. Since these roads are paid for by the State, Pittsfield must bear her share of the cost wherever they are laid. If we can secure some for our City it will cost no more than if we go without. We have petitions now before the State Commissioners for about four and one-half miles of State highway, being from the east end of the mile built in West Pittsfield to the center, and one mile on Dalton Avenue, from the Dalton line westward. We would suggest that the remainder of Dalton Avenue be surveyed and petitions entered for it.

Our steam roller was rented to the Town of Dalton nearly the entire season, and the City will receive $825 for the use of it.

BRIDGES.

In no year has there been as many additions, and as costly ones, to our system of bridges, as in 1896. Three heavy, strong bridges, with wide, commodious roadways, have been built on three of the main roads leading from the center of the City, and one of less width on Pontoosuc Avenue. One

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of these, the South Street bridge, was built by the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., and at their expense. It is a fine bridge of the plate girder pattern, with a 33 foot roadway. The Dalton Avenue bridge was built chiefly at the expense of the Pittsfield Electric Street Railway Company. It is of the side truss pattern, and has 32 foot roadway. The Pomeroy bridge on West Housatonic Street was built at the City's expense. It is of the side truss pattern, with 32 foot roadway and two five foot sidewalks. In size, strength and appearance, it is the finest bridge in the City. These three bridges are of sufficient strength to support street cars and road roller. The fourth bridge was built on Pontoosuc avenue. It is a side truss bridge somewhat lighter than the others. It has 16 foot roadway and one six foot walk.

Practically all the other iron bridges in the City, with the exception of the Tannery bridge, have been painted with red lead, the best preservative of iron known.

The abutments to the Van Sickler bridge have been closely watched, and so far as can be seen, remain in about the same condition as for three years past. The walls do not appear to bulge or crack more than they had done. Sooner or later, however, new abutments will doubtless have to be constructed.

LIGHTING STREETS.

The lighting of our streets has reached a point where the appropriation required is large. For 1896 the appropriation was $12,000 and for 1897 $13,000 will be required in order to allow any margin for increase, and that sum will only give a very small amount for new lights. We are not, however, expending as much as the average Massachusetts City of our size. North Adams estimates that $15,500 will be needed for lights in 1897. Medford with 14,000 population expended $11,097.98; Malden with 29,000 population expended $24,298.47; Beverly with 11,000 population expended $11,194.50.

There has been some discussion in public concerning the advisability of the City supplying its own electric lights, from its own central station, and that is a subject which is worthy of consideration. There is a Statute, however, which defines

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the manner in which municipalities may undertake that work, and any discussion of the subject should recognize the conditions imposed in that Statute. Pittsfield uses a larger number of incandescent electric lights in series than almost any other city we know of. In establishing these lights the Board has followed in the footsteps of its predecessors, and granted them in response to petitions. It is our opinion that the principal streets will be better lighted by arc lamps entirely.

During the year 1896 the following lights have been added:

Arc Lamps:—

Corner of Fenn and Willis, in place of all night incandescent.
Corner of East Housatonic and Wendell, in place of incandescent.
West side of North Street, near Unity church.
Corner Tyler and Dalton Avenue, in place of two incandescents.
Corner Elm and Newell, in place of two incandescents.
Corner Elm and Holmes Road, in place of incandescent.
Corner Fourth and Lincoln.
Corner Burbank and Tyler, in place of two incandescents.
Corner North and Morton Place.

Incandescents:—

One on Noble Avenue.
One on Worthington Place.
Two on Burbank Street, between First and Tyler.
One on Fourth, between Fenn and East.
One on Burbank Lane, between North and McKay.
Six on Elm Street, as far as Pleasure Park.
Three on Tyler Street, at Courtland, Pine and Walnut Streets.
Two on Cherry, at the corners of Maple and Willow.
Two on Parker, at the corner of Kellogg and in middle of street.
One at corner of Plunkett and Kellogg.
Eight on Peck's Road, to extend beyond those previously established.
Two on High Street.

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One at corner of Crofut and Pomeroy.
Twenty-five on West Street, to John Morrow's.
Seven on Holmes Road.
Three on lower Appleton Avenue.
Five on Elm Street, from Pleasure Park to William Street.
One at corner of Stoddard and Pleasure.
One at corner of Alder and River.
One at corner of Alder and Daniels.
One on Elm between Newell and Holmes Road.

Making a net increase of nine arc lights and 67 incandescents. Two incandescents were ordered for Alcove Street, but will not probably be established until spring.

PONTOOSUC AVENUE.

Under the various appropriations made by your Honorable Bodies during the year for improvement of Pontoosuc Avenue, the steel cylinder purchased last year was placed in the canal, a new bridge built over the river, and the houses of Michael Foley were raised and the surrounding grade raised. Detailed accounts of the work of placing the cylinder, building the new bridge, etc., will be found elsewhere. The work of raising the two houses of Michael Foley was let on contract to Charles Markham. The houses were raised, foundation walls built to the new height, and everything left in as good condition as previously. The bottom of the cellars had to be filled to bring them up to a proper level, and around the houses the ground was raised by carting in dirt taken from Briggs Avenue.

BICYCLE PATH.

Your Bodies having appropriated $300 for a bicycle path, this Board proceeded to construct one in accordance with the wishes of the committee which the bicycle club had appointed to look after the matter. The walk was built on the Junction Road, from the Junction bridge to the site of the old Glen house. The path followed the natural surface of the ground very closely, and only a thin coating of gravel was put on. Some difficulty was experienced in getting the material packed, but during the latter part of the season the path was in fairly good condition.

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CENTER STREET SEWER.

For many years past surface water had caused trouble on the north side of West Street in the neighborhood of the Ford and Wadhams blocks, and the City has paid a considerable amount of money in damages. Early in 1896 this Board made a careful investigation of the conditions, and asked your Honorable Bodies for an appropriation. As soon as the money was in hand, the sewer north of West Street was replaced with 24 inch iron pipe resting on piles driven to a hard bottom. We are of the opinion that the trouble heretofore experienced there, will be relieved by this new work. There should, however, be some changes made in West Street. Where the West Street sewers now enter the Center Street sewer at right angles, and opposite each other, they should be brought in on a curve, so as not to impede the stream.

CITY HALL.

Early in the year the addition to the City hall was completed and furnished. The work of completion consisted in painting the walls of the rooms in the new part, painting the exterior woodwork of the old part, painting and papering two rooms in the old part, whitening the walls in the cellar, and the purchase of furniture and fittings for such as needed them. The work was accomplished within the appropriation, and the City hall is now all in good order. We know of no large repairs which will be needed the coming year, unless it be a new set of steps to the front entrance, which will not be very expensive.

SEWER DEPARTMENT.

During the year 1896, 1814.3 feet of new sewers were laid, including 261.3 feet in Clinton Avenue, put in in place of the old sewer in that street which has been an almost constant source of annoyance and expense for some years past. This sewer is now in good condition.

There were 140 permits granted during the year for house connections with the sewers, making a grand total of 998 connections up to Jan. 1, 1897.

The sewer pipe, with the exception of some specials, used in the construction of sewers during 1896, was bought and paid for during 1895. The pipe so used cost $175.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

New Sewers.

Materials and Miscellaneous.

M. McDonnell, boots,	$16 00	
The Pratt & Cady Co., manhole castings,	138 85	
Sun Printing Co., printing,	7 75	
E. D. Jones & Sons Co.,	83	
R. B. Richmond, sand,	2 40	
Barker & Belden, hardware,	1 21	
James O'Loughlin,	2 00	
George Blatchford, stationery,	7 89	
Patrick Condron, brick,	6 02	
Dalton T. Tucker, twine,	90	
E. Williams, hardware,	1 00	
J. C. Sprague, teaming,	14 80	
Pierson Hardware Co., hardware,	10 13	
C, M. Markham, brick,	13 13	
W. & L. E. Gurley, repairing instruments,	25 00	
G. R. Barber, teams,	1 35	
Daley & O'Keefe, repairing tools,	13 61	
Dodge & Devanny, pipe, cement, etc.,	77 71	
T. R, Glentz, followers,	75	
Kieffer & Esser, instruments,	5 29	
Sullivan & Campbell, teams,	4 05	
E. W. Backman, teams,	7 22	
William Mahana, brick,	70 20	
Hardware,	1 75	
Pittsfield Lumber Co., lumber,	4 51	
		$434 35

Pay Rolls.

Labor,		$685 70	$685 70
Engineering,			
Jas. C. Harding,	$152 27		
Walter Clark,	168 44		
Ira Tanner,	3 75		
W. S. Moore,	87		
Ivan Shepardson,	75		
A. A. Fobes,	5 00		
		*$331 08	$331 08
Emergent bills,			$114 73
Salary, Clerk,			$700 00
			$2,265 86

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OLD SEWERS.

(Repairs, care and flushing sewers.)

Materials and Miscellaneous.		
W. G. Backus' Sons, pipe,	$3 00	
H. P. Lucas, hand cart,	23 00	
Pierson Hardware Co., hardware,	5 85	
R. A. Teeling, bags,	15 00	
G. R. Barber, teams,	13 50	
Dodge & Devanny, cement, pipe, etc.,	35 88	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co.,	11 30	
E. W. Backman,	4 05	
		$111 58
Pay Rolls.		502 18
Engineering.		
J. C. Harding,	$20 25	
Walter Clark,	10 50	30 75
		$644 51

*Of this amount $62.72 is for engineering work for sewers laid during 1896, the balance is for work on sewer and assessment plans, etc., of sewers laid in 1895.

SEWERS BUILT DURING 1896.

		Feet
Taconic Street,	6 inch Akron Pipe,	335
George Street,	6 " " "	418
Elm Street,	8 " " "	299 15
Holmes Road,	8 " " "	272 35
Holmes Road,	6 " " "	228 50
Clinton Avenue,	6 " " "	261 30.
		1,814 30=3-4 of a mile.

SEWERS PREVIOUSLY BUILT.

Trunk Sewers,		4.90 miles.
Lateral "		18.55 "
" "	1896,	.34 "
Total Sewers laid to Jan. 1, 1897,		23.79 miles.

We again call your attention to the important matter of sewage disposal. The time rapidly approaches when this city must remove the outfall of her sewers from the Housatonic river. In our judgment it is imperative that this question be taken up this year. No more time remains than will be required to determine what method of disposal shall be used and

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to construct whatever plant shall be determined necessary, and the matter requires immediate action. We suggest that your Honorable Bodies meet with the Board of Public Works at the earliest possible date to confer on this topic. Delay in the consideration of this subject will greatly handicap the City.

PEARL STREET TOOL YARD.

The City Government of 1895 having made an exchange of land with St. Joseph's church, it became necessary to fit up the new yard. The church moved the buildings and goods to the new site, but it was found necessary to rebuild the sheds in order to comply with the City ordinances. Your Honorable Bodies made an appropriation of $1000. New stone foundations were built for the sheds, the back and ends were walled in with brick, and a strong fence built around the lot. The roof of the sheds will have to be changed in order to comply with the ordinances, but the appropriation did not permit of that work being done in 1896. The old school house building stands in the lot well removed from the fence and rests upon temporary supports Aside from the above work, the yard has been carefully arranged, and the tools, machines and materials sorted. A small appropriation will be needed the coming year for the metal roof on the sheds.

STREET SIGNS.

Fifty posts made of three inch wrought iron pipe were purchased during the summer, and erected at street corners where signs were necessary, and the signs attached to them. Special castings were required at the top of the posts to carry the signs. Fifty to one hundred more sign posts should be erected and signs mounted on them.

INSURANCE.

The erection of new school houses has made it necessary to spend more money the past year for insurance than has been usual. Insurance on other buildings has been kept up. In 1897 additional amounts will have to be placed on the John Street school, the High school and the Almshouse barn.

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PARKS AND COMMON.

The Parks and Common were placed in the hands of the Board for care during the year, and have received their usual care. Burbank park has had no care since the City acquired it, except that the grass has been sold, and some fertilizer has been applied. The past year the grass was cut by the Poor department for use at the Almshouse. The Board has made a provisional arrangement with the Poor department by which that department is to care for the land, and keep it fertilized in return for the hay which they can produce on the land.

The City owns two wood lots on the West mountains, and the Board has been asked by the Poor department to cause those lots to be surveyed, so that the boundaries might be known, as they are in some doubt. The Board hesitated to do this, on account of the cost, and would suggest that an agreement might be made between the City and owners of land adjoining fixing the line by mutual consent, or they might be arrived at in some other way involving very little expense, without resort to an expensive survey.

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TABLE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

Name of Account.	Appr'l't'n.	Expend'd.	Balance.
Bridge Repairs,	$ 850 00	$ 844 40	$5 60
Bradford Street Surface Drain,	3,000 00	2,999 15	85
Completion and Furnishing City Hall,	1,750 00	1,748 08	1 92
City Hall, Light, Heat and Care,	2,200 00	1,866 90	333 10
Crosswalks and Cleaning,	2,200 00	2,189 95	10 05
Contingent, B. P. W.,	1,500 00	1,494 29	5 71
Grading Tyler and Burbank Sts.,	2,500 00	2,492 67	7 33
Dalton Avenue Bridge,	1,500 00	1,500 00	
Hathaway Brook,	11 75		11 75
Highways,	16,056 46	16,050 38	6 08
Insurance,	2,200 00	2 152 78	47 22
Parks and Common,	300 00	281 57	18 43
Permanent Improvements,	5 00	5 00	
Pontoosuc Avenue,	3,250 00	3,129 36	120 64
Repair of Buildings not Schools,	300 00	300 00	
Sewer and Water Connections,	4,250 00	4,248 34	1 66
Sidewalks,	4,400 00	4,395 92	4 08
Water Works Extension,	29,000 00	21,676 96	7,323 04
Water Works Maintenance,	7,271 40	5,834 96	1,436 44
Surface Drainage,	5,700 00	5,699 09	91
Ashley Lake Survey,	575 06	575 06	
Mill Brook Addition,	815 13	815 13	
State Highways, bills of 1895,	112 53	112 53	
Dalton Avenue Survey,	100 00	98 55	1 45
Bicycle Path,	300 00	255 86	44 14
Alder and Elizabeth Streets,	500 00	500 00	
Pomeroy Bridge,	8,900 00	8,487 54	412 46
Center Street Sewer,	3,000 00	2,960 90	39 10
Peck's Road,	1,750 00	1,745 47	4 53
Pearl Street Tool Yard,	1,000 00	917 95	82 05
New Sewers,	5,000 00	2,265 86	2,734 14
Repair, Care & Flushing Sewers,	850 00	644 51	205 49
	$ 111,147 33	$ 98,289 16	$ 12,858 17

We append reports from the foremen of our various departments and our engineer, which will be found of interest, giving as they do the details of the work performed by each during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. JONES,
J. H. MANNING,
J. L. BACON,
Board of Public Works.

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REPORT OF CIVIL ENGINEER.

To the Honorable Board of Public Works of the City of Pittsfield, Mass.

I herewith submit the following report of work done by this Department during the year ending January 1st, 1897.

The months of January and February were largely spent by this Department in preparing plans and records of the work done in 1895. Sectional maps were made of the water pipes and surface drains that were laid, and records were made of all street and sidewalk grades.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

The principal jobs on which your engineer did work for this Department are as follows: Burbank Street and Tyler Street from Burbank to Dalton Avenue, were this year repaired and widened. In 1895 the street railway track was laid in these streets, which left the traveled way narrow and uncomfortable for driving. In Burbank Street the roadway has been widened to 31 feet, except in a few places where shade trees have prevented. The paved gutters between North Street and First Street have been relaid, and new paved gutters have been built on the steep slope easterly of Second Street. The curbing on the southerly side of the street at North Street has been relaid with circular curbing. This has been laid so as to allow a sufficient space between curbing and track for travel, and greatly improves and makes safe what was formerly a dangerous corner. One new catch basin was built on Burbank Street and two on North Street near its junction with Burbank Street. The roadway on Tyler Street was widened from 31 feet to 46 feet. This necessitated the cutting down and grubbing out of a large number of trees, on the high bank near Parker and Plunkett Streets, and the removing of large quantities of hardpan soil.

The highway near the Government Mill has been regraded and the roadway widened. Two paved gutters have been laid on the hill near the mill, for a distance of 425 feet. Two new catch basins have been built near the foot of the hill and 425 feet of 15 inch pipe laid from the catch basins to the river. This work was made imperative by the locating of the street

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railway track in the place formerly occupied by the paved gutter. This was done so as to not dangerously narrow the roadway. You have now at this point a well drained roadway 24 feet wide exclusive of railway track.

South Street.

This year a new bridge has been built on South Street, across the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. The bridge is a plate girder with a 33 foot roadway. The street has been worked to the same width from the railroad, southerly for a distance of 360 feet and northerly to the Housatonic River. The expense of this work was borne by the Railroad Company, except that the giving of lines and grades on the street grading was mainly done by this department.

Peck's Road.

The abutters on Peck's Road petitioned the City Government to widen and grade the road from Wahconah Street to Lake Avenue. By the orders of the Highway Committee this street was surveyed, bounds set and a grade line determined upon and accepted by the City Government. An appropriation of $1750 was made and the street has been worked from Wahconah Street to Peck's lower mill, a distance of 2500 feet. The old roadway did not follow the center line of the street location and in many places was less than 16 feet wide. But little provision had been or could be made to take care of the surface water, as the road was in some places nearly level for distances of five or six hundred feet, which made it impracticable to do so without proper regrading. In working the street the way was made 32.50 feet wide, except on the bridges and their approaches, and it now occupies the center of the location. The street has been worked to grades that will carry the surface water to points where it can be taken care of, by means of drains or sluices. Near the corner of Wahconah street two catch basins were built and an 18 inch pipe laid from them to the river, a distance of 157 feet. The full benefit of this work will not be obtained until the bridges are widened to correspond.

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Pontoosuc Ave.

The sum of $3250 was appropriated this year for the working of Pontoosuc Avenue. The steel cylinder that was bought last year has been put in place of the wooden bridge at the canal. This cylinder has an internal diameter of 6½ feet. Wing walls have been built on both sides of the cylinder. On the southerly side of the street I beams have been laid and a brick arch built between the end of the cylinder and the street line. This work now provides for a roadway 24 feet wide, and for one walk 6 feet wide. If public convenience should ever require a walk on the northerly side of the street, two brick arches of a total width of 7 feet can be built to provide for the same.

The old bridge crossing the river was a dilapidated wooden structure, built on what were only an apology for abutments. These have been replaced by substantial structures suitable for the purpose. A steel bridge with a roadway 16 feet wide and a walk 6 feet wide has been put in place of the wooden bridge. The water way between the abutments has been left the same width as that between the old abutments.

The houses numbered 16 and 22 owned by Michael Foley were so low as to require raising before the street could be worked to the established grade. This has been done at an expense of $530, exclusive of grading.

Your engineers have also worked on a large number of smaller jobs for this Department. Among these are the grading of Elm Street for a distance of 1300 feet, North Street for a distance of 1200 feet, Seymour Street for a distance of 1000 feet, Alder and Park Streets for their entire length.

BRIDGES.

Under an agreement with the Street Railway Company the City has built a new bridge on the Dalton Road over the North Adams branch of the B. & A. R. R. This necessitated the extending of the abutments 15 feet southerly. The material under the abutments is a quick-sand. Piles were therefore driven to obtain a proper foundation. These abutments are 26 feet 8 inches high from bottom of foundation to roadway and are 9 feet wide at bottom. Your engineer did not take charge of this work until the foundation had been com-

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pleted. The new bridge has a roadway of 32 feet, which is 13.50 feet wider than that on the old bridge. Owing to the greater depth of the floor system (which was made necessary by the greater width and greater carrying capacity of the new bridge), it was found necessary to raise the floor 15¾ inches above that of the old bridge, in order to obtain the head room of 18 feet above the railroad track required by law. It was necessary to raise the approaches on both sides, so as to meet this new grade. Much the greater part of the engineering connected with this work was done by this Department.

The total cost of this work, including bridge, stone work and approaches, was $6,293.13.

Pomeroy Bridge.

The old bridge and abutments on West Housatonic Street, near Pomeroy Lower Mill, have been replaced by new structures.

The old bridge had become unsuitable for the heavy loads which passed over it. It was also too narrow to accommodate the travel. The old abutments were built on a log foundation, built in form of a crib. These abutments were poorly built, and had settled badly. The old bridge had a roadway 14 feet wide with two sidewalks 3½ feet wide. The clear span between the abutments was 47 feet. The new bridge has a roadway 32 feet wide, with two sidewalks 5 feet wide. The present clear span is 65 feet. The span was made this length in order to place the abutments on firmer foundation and to save length of wings. The foundation proved to consist of a thin layer of gravel underlaid with quick-sand. To prepare a foundation for the abutments 128 piles were driven. The piles were driven from 3 to 4 feet between centers. The top of the piles were sawed off 2½ feet above grade. This space was filled in with concrete, which was thoroughly rammed in place. The concrete was made of Portland cement, mortar and broken stone. The east abutment is 18.50 feet high and the west abutment 17.50 feet high. The bottom width was 8 feet.

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SEWERS.

During the month of April the engineers employed on the Sewer Department were transferred to this office, and since that time the engineering on the sewers has been done by this Department. I will report only on the work done from April to the present time.

Sewers Built During 1896.

	Vitrified Pipe.		
Taconic St., Wendell Ave. westerly,	6″ 335 ft.,	2	manholes.
George " Elizabeth St. easterly,	6″ 418 "	2	"
Elm " extension to Holmes Rd.,	8″ 299.15 ft.,	2	"
Holmes Road, Elm St. southerly,	8′ 272.35 "	2	"
" " " " "	6″ 228.50		
Clinton Ave., relaying of old sewer,	6″ 261.30 "	2	"
South St.,	6″ 35.00		

The work on the Clinton Avenue sewer was caused by poor construction at the time it was laid. This sewer was laid some years ago by the Fire District and before the adoption of the new system. Like many of the old sewers, but little attention was paid to proper engineering or inspecting of the same. This sewer had neither a proper grade or line and had caused a large amount of trouble in the past by continually stopping up.

South Street Sewer.

A portion of the old South Street sewer near Henry Avenue and Broad Street also became clogged and a portion of it was dug up. It was found that it had been improperly laid, some of the pipe pitching in the wrong direction.

The Broad Street sewer, which had formerly discharged into this old South Street sewer, was discontinued and connected with the new sewer on Henry Avenue. About 35 feet of 6″ vitrified pipe was laid.

SURFACE DRAINS.

Bradford Street Surface Drain.

The Bradford Street surface drain has been extended to Daniels Avenue, a distance of 508.40 feet. This drain is a 30″ cast iron pipe. Seven new catch basins were built on this line

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and two manholes. This drain is designed to take the water from North Street and vicinity between the railroad bridge and Madison Avenue, and all the territory westerly to the summit of the hill.

I would respectfully suggest to your Honorable Board the desirability of continuing this work the coming season. In laying this Bradford Street drain it was necessary to take up the paved gutter on the northerly side of the street. It was so late in the season before this gutter could be relaid that it was thought advisable to wait until the coming year. This should be laid as early in the spring as practicable to avoid washing of the street surface.

Center Street Surface Drain and Sewer.

For several years the Center Street drain and its extension, which runs northerly across lands of Wadhams, Ford, Robbins and Morton, has failed to properly carry the water coming to it. By your directions the Center Street drain was carefully examined and cleaned and two new manholes built. On the extension of this line, (that is the portion through private lands) the old drain consisted of a 24 inch wooden cylinder which was laid on mud foundation. This cylinder had settled badly and was consequently half full of dirt. This cylinder was taken up and a 24 inch iron pipe laid in place of it. Through the open lots four inch piles were driven with a pile driven for each 12 feet length of pipe. These piles were driven in pairs and a wooden cap was laid across the top of them to support the pipe.

Under the buildings owned by Wadhams and Ford the piles were from 4 to 5 inches in diameter at the smaller end, and were driven by hand. Under these buildings four piles were driven to each cap or eight piles to a pipe. Under the coal sheds owned by W. G. Morton the ground seemed to be thoroughly compacted so that no piles were driven. Four manholes were built on this portion of the line.

An examination of the connection between the West Street and Center Street sewers shows that the West Street sewer discharges its flow nearly at right angles to the flow of the Center Street sewer. This must quite largely reduce the

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carrying capacity of the Center Street sewer. It was the intention to have had this changed and the two sewers connected by means of a curve, but the lateness of the season prevented. In the opinion of your engineer this should be changed the coming year.

List of Surface Drains, built in 1896.

Street.	Location.	Size. Inches.	Length. Feet.	Catch Basins	Manholes.
Elm,	From Elm St., through Private Lands to River,	20	400	4	2
First,	Near Melville Street,	12	144.50	3	2
"	" " "	8 and 10	80.00		1
West Housatonic,	At Pomeroy Bridge,	16	60.	2	
North,	Near Burbank,	10	96	3	
"	" "	8	88.		
Circular and Francis Avenues,		8	242.00	1	
Dalton Road,	Near Government Mill,	15	425.20	2	1
" "	" " "	10	26.00		2
Bradford,	Easterly to Daniels Avenue.	30	508.40	7	
Adam,		15	76.50	1	
Center,	Extension,	24	345.00		4
"					1
Wahconah,	Near David Rosenhein,	16	84.00	1	
Pecks Road,	Near Wahconah Street,	18	157	2	
" "		15	30.		
Elm,	At Tannery Bridge,				
Columbus and Circular Avenues,		16	60.		
"		12	25.		
"		8	50.	2	
"		6	50.		
"		3	63.		

SIDEWALKS.

Your engineers have done the engineering required on 6,030 lineal feet of concrete walks, and 472 feet of gravel walks.

WATERWORKS.

A preliminary survey was made for the purpose of determining whether it was practicable to take the waters of May Brook and also at the same time furnish with water the places of Walker and Valentine and others situated on the high ground adjacent to West Street.

But little time could be allowed us for this work, as it was necessary to get the whole matter before the legislature by a certain time. This compelled us to do the large part of the work during two of the stormiest and worst days of the year.

The haste with which the work was done prevented working out all the details as complete as we would like. We

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found, however, that the sill of Mr. Valentine's house was 11.50 feet below the top of the waste weir at Ashley distributing reservoir while that of Mr. Walker's house is 27.50 feet. above it. Rough estimates show that the cost of building a dam at a point about 37 feet above Ashley lower dam and the laying of over three miles of 8 inch pipe to it, is about $21,000. This does not include land or damages.

No test pits have been sunk for rock, and only a limited amount has been estimated for. If a large amount of rock should be found the cost would be more than estimated. As there seems to be but little chance for any storage on this stream, we estimated on a dam only large enough to turn the water into the pipe. If the dam is built at the point described above, it will be high enough to provide water for all the places adjacent to West Street, except that of Mr. W. D. Walker's. The water pressure would, however, be very light at Mr. Valentine's residence. The dam could not be placed at a much greater heighth than that mentioned above, without considerable loss in the amount of water that would be received, as there is a large spring which discharges into the stream just above the point chosen for a dam. The average of 21 weir readings taken on this brook between July 23 and Sept. 11, in the summer of 1895, which was one of the driest seasons that has been known for years, shows a flow of 137,000 gallons. The largest observed flow was 235,000 gallons, and the smallest 107.000 gallons.

The average of readings taken during the same period on the several brooks constituting our present water supply shows the following:

Mill Brook,	315,347 gals.
Sackett Brook, just above city dam,	178,955 "
Hathaway Brook, just above city dam,	72,000 "

These figures do not give only an approximate comparison between the flow of the different brooks as the number of readings taken were too limited for an exact comparison. The examination made by the Massachusetts State Board of Health shows that the water of this brook is equal in purity and excellence to any now used by this city. On a large por-

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tion of this line the water pressure would be very light so that it would be of little use in case of fire without the aid of steamers.

Ashley Lake Survey.

The Massachusetts State Board of Health having requested that the capacity of Lake Ashley be determined, the City Government appropriated the sum of seven hundred ($700.00) dollars for the purpose. Your engineer was directed to make the necessary surveys. The work to be done consisted principally of taking the depth of the water every fifty (50) or one hundred (100) feet over the whole area of the pond. As this work could be done far more easily on the ice than in any other way the work was commenced as early in the season as the weather and circumstances would permit. The work of surveying the pond was commenced March 5th, 1896. A straight line was run lengthwise of the pond and every fifty (50) feet or one hundred (100) feet, according to the lay of the ground, lines were thrown off at right angles to this first (or base) line. Holes were cut in the ice on those right angle lines from twenty-five (25) to one hundred (100) feet apart. As it was desirable to get data so that the capacity of the pond would be known if the dam was raised any reasonable amount, a flowage line was run six (6) feet above the top of the present waste weir. There were also a large number of soundings taken with iron rods, for the purpose of finding the depth of mud and location of ledges in the channel; this was done to determine the practicability of lowering the channel. From six (6) to eleven (11) men were used in measuring the lines, running the levels for the flowage line, cutting holes in the ice, taking the depth of water, taking soundings for rock and mud, cutting brush, etc., etc.

Although the weather was not always propitious the work was rapidly pushed, and at the end of fourteen (14) days the field work, with the exception of a small amount of land work, was done. During the last few days there had been a heavy fall of snow which had been packed by the wind in heavy drifts on the shore. As this shore work could be much more easily done later, it was left until the latter part of April, after the snow had gone. This last part of the work was

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finished by four (4) men in 2 days. Not the least part of the work was the making of the necessary plans and calculations. The amount of water that is in the basin was calculated for every three inches, in depth and are given in the accompanying table.

TABLE

Showing number of gallons of water in Ashley Lake for every three inches in depth from top of flash-board to nine feet below flash board, which is as low as the water can be drawn without further excavation.

DEPTH BELOW FLASH-BOARD.	NO. OF U. S. GALLONS.	DEPTH BELOW FLASH-BOARD.	NO. OF U. S. GALLONS.
Full.	228,973,824	4 ft., 9 in.	99,422,338
3 in.	221,690,057	5 "	93,016,008
6 "	214,406,290	5 " 3 "	86,796,108
9 "	207,122,523	5 " 6 "	80,576,208
1 ft.	199,838,756	5 " 9 "	74,356,308
1 " 3 in.	192,806,115	6 "	68,136,408
1 " 6 "	185,773,474	6 " 3 "	62,152,853
1 " 9 "	178,740,833	6 " 6 "	56,169,298
2 "	171,708,192	6 " 9 "	50,185,743
2 " 3 "	165,059,144	7 "	44,202,188
2 " 6 "	158,410,096	7 " 3 "	38,519,833
2 " 9 "	151,761,048	7 " 6 "	32,837,478
3 "	145,112,000	7 " 9 "	27,155,123
3 " 3 "	138,494,3[illegible]2	8 "	21,472,768
3 " 6 "	131,876,664	8 " 3 "	16,104,576
3 " 9 "	125,258,996	8 " 6 "	10,736,384
4 "	118,641,328	8 " 9 "	5,368,192
4 " 3 "	112,234,998	9 "	0,000,000
4 " 6 "	105,828,668		

Area of lake when full, 90.19 acres.
" " " with water drawn down 9 ft., 62.80 acres.

The total cost of this work was $575.06. In addition to the work just described, the State Board of Health have also suggested that it would be wise to make a survey of the water-shed which at present drains into Ashley Lake, and a survey also of the water-shed, the drainage of which can be diverted by means of canals into the lake. It would appear from the Massachusetts Topographical map as if it were practicable to thus obtain the drainage of several hundred acres. The amount of water that could be obtained in this way would depend largely upon the nature of the soil. Whether it would

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be practicable to take this water and whether it would be a paying investment for the city can only be determined by extensive surveys.

If your Honorable Board should deem it advisable to finish this work, I would suggest that it would be advisable to start on it as early in the season as the condition of the surface will allow, so that it can be finished before the construction season opens. Even if it is not considered desirable to make any further addition to our water supply at present, it is wise to have definite plans decided upon with the greater part of the preliminary work done, so that when a new addition is needed, that there may be no great delay in starting the work.

Ashley Lower Reservoir.

Surveys have also been made this last year at the distributing reservoir on Ashley Brook, having in view the making of a larger reservoir at this point. The present reservoir holds when full about 2,000,000 gallons which is about one day's supply. Professor D. M. Greene has recommended to your Honorable Board that a new dam be built capable of holding more than a day's supply of water and which would insure a sufficient supply for any large fire. If the size of the reservoir could be farther increased so as to hold several days' supply it would certainly result in a large savings of water. After a heavy rain the discharge from the different brooks forming part of your water supply is usually largely in excess of the amount used by the city. As there is at present no chance for storage on any of these streams (the only storage basin the city has is Ashley Lake) most of this storm water is lost. If the distributing reservoir at lower Ashley was larger a portion of this excess could be stored and thus help to relieve the draught during the dry season on Ashley Lake. There is a large water shed that drains into Ashley Brook between the lake and the distributing reservoir. The dams on the Sackett, Hathaway and Mill brooks are from 41 to 52 feet above the Ashley distributing reservoir and when there is an excess in these streams the water will back into the distributing reservoir. There would therefore be no lack of water during any heavy fall of rain to fill a basin of considerable

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size at this point. The nature of the ground is, however, such as to prevent a reservoir being built of any great size without great expense. Rough estimates show that a masonry dam can be built holding over 8,000,000 gallons and costing about $30,000. We estimated on making the new dam 10 feet higher than the present one. This would raise the pressure in our city correspondingly when the basin was full, but as it would be drawn upon, the average net gain would probably be a little less than 10 feet The present dam is 146 feet above the Park. If deemed desirable more storage could be obtained than estimated above, but the gain would probably be out of proportion to the additional expense. Before anything definite was decided upon I would respectfully recommend that a more careful examination be made of the proposed dam site, by means of test pits and soundings. This work was done by the advice and with the co-operation of D. H. Tower.

Water Works Construction.

Four and $\frac{54}{100}$ (4.54) miles of new water pipe have been laid this year and 844 feet of pipe relaid on which engineering has been done. This has consisted chiefly of taking locations of the pipes and specials. Eight (8) iron markers have been put in to define survey lines to which the pipe has been located. These were placed where street lines were not well defined and where no line could be located permanently without them. When the pipe was laid through streets on which grades have been established, but which have not been worked, these established grades have been given by this Department. The total number of feet of pipe on which grades have been given was 900 feet.

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE WORK.

Under the directions of the Highway Committee a survey was made for a proposed State Highway on the Dalton road, from the Dalton line westerly for one mile. Plans and profiles of the same were made, and were sent to the State Highway Commission. Surveys were also made of Charles Street, Appleton Avenue, Dawes Avenue and Peck's Road.

The total cost of engineering done by this Department has been $5,387.83.

The total cost of engineering for the construction work, in-

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cluding preliminary surveys (but not including the surveys for the State Highway, Ashley Lake and other work which have not been done for the benefit of the present construction work) is $4,237.37. This engineering was done for the benefit of work costing $83,880.80.

Accompanying this report is an itemized account of the expenses of this Department, also two maps, one of Lake Ashley and one showing the location of the different water supplies of the City.

In conclusion I wish to extend my thanks to your Honorable Board for the many courtesies shown me, and I also wish to thank the several assistants who have been associated with me, for their co-operation and faithful services.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. FOBES, Engineer.

LIST OF EXPENDITURES FOR ENGINEERING DURING 1896.

(Including Horse Hire, Supplies and Incidentals.)

Highways,	$828 04
Ashley Lake Surveys, engineering,	368 69
" " " labor and miscellaneous expenses,	212 90
Contingent,	597 96
Highway Committee,	449 01
Sidewalks,	522 35
Surface Drains,	305 32
Grading Burbank and Tyler Streets,	178 22
Dalton Avenue Bridge,	63 59
Dalton Avenue Survey,	91 55
Bridge Repairs,	42 29
High School Committee,	12 31
Water Extension,	337 57
Bradford Street Drain,	73 35
Pomeroy Bridge,	227 52
Peck's Road,	175 22
Center Street Sewer,	86 85
Pontoosuc Avenue,	189 33
Pearl Street Tool Yard,	7 50
New Sewers,	104 92
Mill Brook Addition (surveys and plans),	117 01
Water Works Maintenance,	345 90
Alder and Elizabeth Streets,	34 43
School Building Committee,	16 00
	$5,387 83
Weir Readings at Mill Brook.	505 61

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LIST OF EXPENSES SHOWING FOR WHAT PURPOSE MONEYS FOR ENGINEERING HAVE BEEN PAID.

A. A. Fobes,	$1,462 06	$1,462 06
A. A. Fobes, Mill Brook weiring,	33 13	
	$1,495 19	
W. J. Devanny,		677 83
J. Ivan Shepardson,		458 25
S. G. Armstrong,		373 07
H. D. Osgood,		146 95
James C. Harding,		507 59
Walter H. Clark,		309 63
H. A. Clark,		28 88
Joseph A. Tanner,		111 39
W. S. Moore,		42 88
Clifford Moore,		13 06
Harry Ackley,		3 00
Geo. A. Murdock,		160 42
Barnes & Jenks,		10 50
T. W. Hill,		3 25
F. H. Prentiss,		32 00
Horse Hire,		365 63
Supplies and Miscellaneous Expenses,		468 54
Extra Labor and Expenses at Ashley Lake,		212 90
		$5,387 83

MILL BROOK.

A. A. Fobes,	$33 13
Ivan Shepardson,	9 30
Joseph A. Tanner,	122 07
Wm. Moore,	87
Wm. J. Devanny,	8 43
H. A. Clark,	12 69
Labor and Miscellaneous Expenses,	281 56
Horse Hire,	37 56
	$505 61

INVENTORY.

1 Buff and Berger Transit,	1 Gurley Transit,
1 Gurley Level,	3 New York Rods,
2 Boston Rods,	5 Lining Poles,
4 Eddy's Steel Tapes, 100 feet,	2 Chesterman St'l Tapes, 100 ft,
1 Eddy's Chain Tape, 50 feet,	15 Steel Pins,
10 Plumb Bobs,	2 Baskets,
½ Keg Spikes,	¼ Keg Nails,
2 Pitching Tools,	4 Pair Rubber Boots,

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200 Six foot Stakes,
160 Three foot Stakes,
240 Eighteen inch Stakes,
3 Hand Drills,
1 Tape Punch,
1 Cutting Pliers,
3 Files,
2 One-half inch Bits,
20 feet Mending Tape,
3 Paint Brushes,
2 Paper Pins,
2 Picks,
2 Long Handle Shovels,
5 Ice Chisels,
2 Striking Hammers,
23 Iron Water Pipe Markers,
15 Harrow Teeth,
1 Small Drafting Table,
1 Waste Paper Basket,
5 Small Engineer's Scales,
6 Paper Weights,
45 Assessors' Plans (tracings),
11 Sheets Double Elephant Paper,
7 Yards mounted Duples Drafting Paper,
½ Roll Tracing Cloth, 30 inch,
16 Photographs,
66 Note and Record Books,
6 Office Chairs,
½ Bottle Carter's Ink,
1½ Doz. Figuring Pads,
1 Hand Level,
1 Triangular Mirror,
1 Oil Stone,
3 Packages Trunk Nails,
6 Sets Feathersand Wedges,
1 Box Screws,
1 Pair Callipers,
¾ Doz. Faber's Drafting Pencils,
1 Bottle Ink Eradicator,
9 Rubber Triangles,
1 Spirit Level,
1 Gimlet,
1 Screw Driver,
2½ Doz, Screws,
1 Tamping Bar,
1 Thermometer,

155 Five foot Stakes,
350 Two foot Stakes,
210 Fifteen inch Stakes,
1 Lantern,
1 Pliers,
1 Hammer,
2 lbs. Emery Dust,
5 lbs. Cotton Waste,
23 Copper Bolts,
1 Branding Iron,
2 Skeins Plumb Bob String,
2 19-lb. Crowbars,
1 Hatchet,
1 Weir Board,
300 Grade Slats,
1 Sewer Grade Pole,
3 Large Drafting Tables,
1 Roll Top Desk,
1 Small Desk,
1 Large Engineer's Scales,
363 Plans and Profiles,
45 Assessors Plans (blue prints),
1 Roll mounted Duples Drafting Paper,
1 Roll mounted Profile Paper,
½ Roll Tracing Cloth, 36 inch,
¼ Roll Cross-section Paper,
3 Board for Mounting Paper,
6 Bottles Higgins' Ink,
½ Bottle Standard Ink,
1 Steel Straight Edge,
1 Box Rubber Bands,
15 Rubber Curves,
2 Monkey Wrenches,
2 ⅝-inch Bits,
1 Awl,
1 Chamois Skin,
2½ Doz. (Senators) Pencils, soft,
11 Doz. Point Protectors,
1 Eyelet Punch,
151 Sewer Plans,
2 Bit Stocks,
1 Counter sink,
1 Saw,
6 Rubber Erasers,
1 Pair Shears,
1 Umbrella Case,

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2 Doz. Penholders,
1 Conteur Map City of Pittsfield,
1 Small Map City of Pittsfield,
1 Pantograph,
1 Bottle Lepage Glue,
5 Sounding Rods,
6 Office Stools.
2 Boxes Pens,
1 Large Map City of Pittsfield,
5 Reading Glasses,
1 Bottle Mucilage,
1 Quart Measure,
25 Builder's Pegs.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS.

To the Honorable Board of Public Works of the City of Pittsfield :

I herewith submit to you my annual report of the condition of the Water Works, and the work done by the Water Department, together with a tabulated statement of the total number and size of gates, mains and hydrants, and recommendations of alterations and improvements, which, as I see them, should be made during the coming year.

EXTENSIONS.

During the year 1896, the call for extensions in the outlying sections of the city has been unusually large. The opening of streets in the "Morningside" district has necessitated the construction of an 8-inch feeder from the 12-inch pipe on Fourth Street to the corner of Benedict road. The running of an 8-inch feeder from North Street, through Linden to Onota Street, has reinforced the supply in that section of the city west of the Housatonic River and made it adequate for all demands.

Late in the month of November it was deemed necessary to afford some better fire protection for that section of city in the vicinity of the new High School building Accordingly an 8-inch feeder was extended from the 12-inch main on Fourth Street through Lake Street to Second Street, and on Second Street to the corner of Silver Street. It was intended to continue on to Fenn Street, but in view of the frost in the ground it was deemed inadvisable, and the work was abandoned until next year. Below is given the total number of feet and size of pipe laid this year.

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LOCATION.	Number of feet.	Size, Inch.
Linden street, North street to Onota street,	3130	8
Curtis street, Fourth street to Brown street,	500	8
Brown street, Curtis street to Kellogg street,	155	8
Kellogg street, Brown street to Dalton avenue,	1345	8
Dalton avenue, Kellogg street to Benedict road,	2563	8
West street, from foot of Brigg's Hill west,	1565	8
Peck's road, from Curtin's store to Peck's Lower Mill,	2416	8
Lake street, from Fourth through Third and Second to Silver,	1285	8
Merriam street, from West street south,	490	6
Merriam street, from West Housatonic north,	707	6
Brenton Terrace,	782	6
Oxford street,	204	6
Tyler street, from Dalton avenue to Benedict road,	2022	6
Harvard street, Dalton avenue north,	684	6
Forest place, Kellogg street to Tyler street,	700	6
Commonwealth avenue, Elm street to Dawes avenue,	1600	6
Beech street, from Tyler street,	465	6
King street,	1784	4
George street, from Elizabeth street to South street,	668	6
Pomeroy avenue, from end of existing street to Crofut street,	124	4
Crofut street, from Pomeroy avenue west,	612	4
Allen street, from Dunham street to end of pipe on School,	170	6
In the B. & A. freight house yard, from the end of pipe in Clapp avenue to the pipe in Depot st.,	252	6
Cottage City (Pontoosuc Lake),	300	3

SERVICE CONNECTIONS.

During the year the main pipes of the city have been tapped 117 times, and there have been laid 3 inch services to the John Street, Elizabeth Street and Russell School buildings, a 4 inch service to the High School, a 2 inch service to Manock's Laundry, a 6 inch service to the Hull & Morton block, and a 4 inch service to Berkshire County Jail. This work has involved the use of the following material:

1235 feet ⅝ 2inch galvanized pipe.	27 ⅝ lead connections.	26 ⅝ stop and waste cocks.
4501 " ¾ " " "	78 ¾ " "	64 ¾ " " "
853 " 1 " " "	7 1 " "	3 1 " " "
128 " 2 " " "	1 2 inch valves.	
172 " 3 " cast iron pipe.	3 3 " "	117 curb boxes and stops.
559 " 4 " " "	2 4 " "	
486 " 6 " " "	1 6 " "	
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SEWER CONNECTIONS.

This work has been continued by the Water Department,

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and as was the case last year, been in charge of Mr. Frank E. Hatch, who has also made the service connections for water, looked out for the maintenance of the works, and set and repaired meters.

There have been made during the year:

128 connections with new sewers.
11 " " old "

139 connections in which the following materials have been used:

5912' 4" Tile, 79 4" Tile Bends, 23 Tile Y's.
472' 6" Tile, 15 6" " " 11 " Reducers.

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During the year this department has been called upon twice to remedy the trouble in cases where the "old sewers" have been stopped up. There have been nine house connections stopped up during the year, which have been dug up and repaired.

RESERVOIRS.

Sackett, Hathaway and Ashley reservoirs were all drawn off early in the season and thoroughly cleaned. In Sackett and Ashley reservoirs, mud and leaves, the accumulation of two years, was removed by flushing through the waste gates. At the Mill Brook reservoir, work which was left unfinished last year, has been completed, and it is now in good condition. It has been drawn off and cleaned three times during the year.

ASHLEY LAKE.

At Ashley Lake, part of the old rail and brush fences which were in bad condition have been taken down and replaced with wire. In consequence of its long use, the 16" gate, which controlled the supply to the lower reservoir, had become "water worn" and could not be shut down entirely. Accordingly, at the beginning of the season, the end of the gate house wall was taken down, and a new gate put on, outside of the old one, so that when the supply in the brooks is sufficient for our demands we can shut this outer gate, and there will be no water wasted from the lake.

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HEIGHT OF WATER IN ASHLEY LAKE.

January	13—	Lake drawn down		5 feet.
February	18—	"	"	" 4 feet.
March	16—	"	"	" 2 feet, 8 inches.
March	20—	"	"	" 2 feet, 2 inches.
May	21—	"	"	" 1 inch.
July	1—	"	"	" (full.)
July	17—	"	"	" 8 inches.
July	21—	"	"	" 9 inches.
August	10—	"	"	" 9 inches.
September	3—	"	"	" 17 inches
September	27—	"	"	" 9 inches.
November	8—	"	"	" (full.)

HYDRANTS.

There have been set during the year 46 steamer hydrants, 3 two-way hydrants, and 2 single hydrants. Four of the old "Ayers" hydrants have been taken out and replaced with new ones, but there still remain about 23. These should all be taken out and replaced with new ones as fast as possible.

WASTE.

Owing to an unusually wet season, our supply of water has been abundant, but had the present year been as dry as was the last I think there is but little doubt that we would have again been in danger of a serious shortage. During seasons when a drought is imminent, waste is restricted as much as possible by rigid inspection, but as soon as the supply becomes adequate to the demands and water begins to run over the dams, waste becomes as prevalent as ever, and herein lies the danger that threatens our supply.

The consumer falls into the habit of wasting, and it is a habit not easily broken. It would seem that with the coming summer as dry as were those of 1894—'95, the City of Pittsfield would be obliged to consider either the addition of other brooks to its present system, the use of the pumping station, or some system that will restrict the consumption of water to its legitimate uses. With the addition of other brooks, Pittsfield would again have plenty of water which the consumer

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would continue to waste until ultimately she would have to look still further. Restrict the use of water as it should be restricted, and the present sources of supply will serve for very much longer. The experience of this department has proven that the only effectual way to prevent waste is by the adoption of meters. If every service pipe in the city was metered, the wasteful consumer thereby made to pay for the actual amount of water used on his premises, the waste of water would very soon be reduced and the danger of shortage postponed. I would suggest, therefore, that the purchase of meters be continued in such numbers as the condition of the finances will allow, until such time as the City is called upon to seriously consider their universal adoption.

METERS.

There have been set during the year the following meters: 8 ¾ Crown Meters, 3 ½ Crown Meters. At the beginning of the school year in September, a meter set temporarily on the brick building at Orchard Street School showed a consumption in 18 days of 301,302 gallons, or a daily consumption of nearly 17,000 gallons. This is only one instance, showing the enormous consumption of water where its use is unrestricted.

LEAKS.

Leaks have been unusually common during the year, having occurred as follows:

1 Jan. 8, joint blown out, Sackett Brook line.
1 May 6, lead connection, Beaver Street.
1 May 16, joint blown out, Mill Brook line near Benz's.
1 May 21, lead connection, Beaver Street.
1 May 27, gate stem, West Street.
1 June 1, joint blown out, Mill Brook line between Benz's and Gaylord's.
1 June 5, lead connection, Alder Street.
1 June 8, lead connection, Wendell Avenue.
1 June 29, lead connection, Elizabeth Street.
1 July 10, lead connection, Coogan's Tannery.
1 July 27, joint loosened, Elm Street, 14-inch line.
1 July 29, joint loosened, Fourth Street.

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1 July 31, split pipe, Mill Brook line below Benz's.
1 Aug. 3, lead connection, Robbins Avenue.
1 Aug. 4, cement service pipe, South Street.
1 Aug. 4, lead connection, West Street.
1 Aug. 7, lead connection, South Church Street.
1 Aug. 26, joint loosened, Elm Street, 14-inch line.
1 Sept. 8, lead connection, Robbins Avenue.
1 Sept. 11, lead connection, South Street.
1 Sept. 17, joint loosened, Daniels Avenue.
1 Sept. 19, joint blown out, Mill Brook line near Gaylord's.
1 Sept. 29, split pipe, Dawes Avenue.
1 Oct. 12, lead connection, John Street.
1 Nov. 30, split pipe, Mill Brook line near Scheney's.
1 Nov. 30, gate stem, King Street corner Linden.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Owing to the widening of the roadway on South Street at the crossing of N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., and the cutting down of the hill betwen that point and the Taylor bridge, it was necessary to change the location of the eight inch pipe at the crossing of the railroad a distance of 344 feet, and also to lower the pipe north of that point, where the cut was made, a distance of 500 feet.

On Park Street, owing to a change in grade, the main pipe was lowered a distance of 300 feet, together with eight service pipes.

Service pipes on Alder, Tyler and Brown Streets have also been lowered on account of the cutting down of the roadway and sidewalks.

It was found necessary to lower the eight inch pipe on Pontoosuc Avenue where it crossed the canal, to permit the placing of the large boiler shell. On account of the steep grade, and the fact that the pipe would have to be uncovered for a long distance to lower it in the ordinary way, this was accomplished by the use of quarter bends.

Early in the year the gate houses at all the reservoirs, at Ashley Lake and the pumping station were painted, and they now present a good appearance.

During the process of driving piles for the abutments of the Pomeroy bridge the old pipe, which crossed on the bed of

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the river at the south side of the bridge, was broken off. A temporary pipe was therefore laid on top of the ground from the end of the pipe on South Church Street, across the bridge near the satinet mill, and connected to the Mill Street pipe through the hydrant on the end. Upon the completion of the iron work of the new bridge an eight inch pipe was continued from the end of the eight inch pipe on Henry Avenue at its junction with West Housatonic Street, through the new abutments to a point near the corner of Harris Street. The new pipe is suspended from the iron work of the bridge, covered with hair felt, and boxed up.

NEEDED EXTENSIONS AND RENEWALS

In conclusion, I beg leave to suggest the following extensions and renewals:

At the present time it looks as if there would be little call for extensions during the coming year in places not already supplied with water. We will therefore have an excellent opportunity to renew such portions of the old plant as are absolutely in need of it. There exists in the old plant many dead ends which should be abolished.

On Robbins Avenue, between Madison Avenue and Linden Street, there is no pipe, and between Linden Street and Bradford Street there is a dead end. I would recommend that a 6 inch pipe be laid from Circular Avenue to Alder Street, with new hydrants at proper intervals, thereby affording that section of the city ample protection from fire. On Third Street the pipe is small, old and rusty. I would again suggest that this be taken up and relaid with 6 inch.

On Wellington Avenue there is about 875 feet of 3 inch pipe and 300 feet of 2 inch pipe. This should be taken up and relaid with 6 inch.

On Summer Street the cement pipe should be taken up and relaid with 6 inch cast iron.

The pipe on Willis Place should be extended to Fenn Street.

The piece of cement pipe on North Street near the railroad bridge should be taken up, and a new pipe carried across on the stringers of the bridge. I would also recommend that an 8 inch pipe be carried from the 12 inch pipe on Fourth Street

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through Lincoln Street to First, and north on First Street and connected with the 12 inch pipe at the corner of Tyler Street. This work is important, for it will afford the system of small pipes in that section of the city with a good supply.

The one inch pipe on Madison Avenue, between North Street and Seymour Street, should be taken up and relaid with 6 inch and then continued south on Seymour Street to the dead end which exists between there and Linden Street, and north to Alder Street, through Alder street to the existing six inch line near the corner of Francis Avenue.

A short piece of inch pipe existing on River Street, between West Street and Division Street should be taken up and relaid with six inch pipe.

That section of the city in the vicinity of First Street, Pearl Street and Cottage Row is without adequate fire protection. I would earnestly recommend that an eight inch line be carried from East Street, through First to Cottage Row, through Cottage Row to Renne Avenue and joining the eight inch line that comes through from North Street to the Whittlesey building. This will abolish a dead end which now exists between Fenn Street and East Street.

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LOCATION, APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF FEET, AND SIZE OF MAIN WATER PIPE.

Location.	From.	To.	Feet.	Size.
Abbott Street,	North Street, east,		511	4
Alcove Street,	Wahconah Street, west,		1,015	4
Adam Street,	First Street,	Second Street,	800	4
Alder Street,	River Street, east,		50	6
" "	Robbins Avenue, west,		300	4
" "	Robbins Avenue,	Francis Avenue,	660	6
" "	Francis Avenue, east,		132	4
" "	Seymour Street, west,		608	3
Allen Street,	Dunham Street,	School Street,	170	6
Appleton Avenue,	East Street,	William Street,	3,730	4
Atwood Avenue,	Henry, south,		280	4
Bank Row,	South Street, east,		340	3
Bartlett Avenue,	East Street,	E. Housatonic St.,	1,200	4
Beaver Street,	" "	Peck Avenue,	2,880	4
Beech Street,	Tyler Street, south,		465	6
Beech Grove Avenue,	West Housatonic Street,	Brenton Terrace,	425	6
Brenton Terrace,	Beech Grove Avenue,	Oxford Street,	357	6
Bradford Street,	North Street,	Francis Avenue,	1,100	3
" "	Francis Avenue,	Daniels Avenue,	310	4
" "	Daniels Avenue,	River Street,	690	6
Briggs Avenue,	Weller Avenue, north,		680	4
Broad Street,	Pomeroy Avenue,	South Street,	1,187	8
Brown Street,	Curtis Street,	Kellogg Street,	155	8
" "	Kellogg Street,	Tyler Street,	825	4
Buell Street,	South Street,	Elizabeth Street,	688	3
Burbank Street,	Tyler Street,	North Street,	2,850	4
Center Street,	West Housatonic,	South Church St.	440	3
Charles Street,	North Street,	Wahconah Street,	980	6
Cherry Street,	Lincoln Street, south,		600	4
" "	Lincoln Street, north,		380	4
Church Street,	South Street,	Goodrich Street,	540	4
Circular Avenue,	Daniels Avenue,	Francis Avenue,	1,380	4
Clapp Avenue,	West Street,	Depot Street,	430	4
Clinton Avenue,	South Street,	Elizabeth Street,	712	3
Columbus Avenue,	North Street, west,		210	4
" "	Francis Avenue, east,		1,000	6
" "	Francis Avenue,	Daniels Avenue,	320	4
" "	River Street,	John Street,	640	4
Commonwealth Ave.,	Elm Street,	Dawes Avenue,	1,600	6
Cottage Row,	Renne Avenue,	Pearl Street,	200	4
" "	Pearl Street,	First Street,	290	3
Cove Street,	Beaver Street, south,		200	2
Crescent Street,	Francis Avenue,	Francis Avenue,	576	4
Crosier Avenue,	Newell Street, west,		450	1¼
Crofut Street,	Pomeroy Avenue, west,		612	4
Curtis Street,	Fourth Street,	Spring Street,	140	12
" "	Brown Street,	Fourth Street,	500	8
Dalton Avenue,	Kellogg Street,	Benedict Road,	2,563	8
Daniels Avenue,	Circular Avenue,	Alder Street,	2,430	4
Dawes Avenue,	Howard Street,	Holmes Road,	4,912	8
Depot Street,	North St., across B. & A. R. R.,	Columbus Avenue,	888	6
" "	E. D. Jones Shop,	Morton Building,	252	6
Division Street,	River Street,	Robbins Avenue,	520	4
Dunham Street,	North Street,	Pearl Street,	500	6
East Street,	" "	Appleton Avenue,	1,920	12
" "	Appleton Avenue,	Elm Street,	500	14
E. Housatonic Street,	South Street,	Appleton Avenue,	1,925	4
Elizabeth Street,	Reed Street,	Henry Avenue,	500	3
" "	Henry Avenue, south,		1,020	4
Elm Street,	East Street,	Tannery,	780	12
" "	" "	"	780	14
" "	Tannery,	Ashley Reservoir,	16,746	12
" "	"	" "	16,748	16
" "	Pumping Station,	Sackett Reservoir,	10,814	10
" "	Hathaway Reservoir,	Ashley Reservoir,	4,6[illegible]0	10
Fenn Street,	North Street,	Renne Avenue,	270	4
" "	Pearl Street, east,		1,128	6
" "	End of six inch pipe,	Beaver Street,	1,694	4

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Location.	From.	To.	Feet.	Size.
First Street,	Fenn Street, south,		230	3
" "	Fenn Street, north,		600	3
" "	Melville Street,	Adam Street,	260	4
" "	Hamlin Street, south,		131	6
" "	Hamlin Street,	Tyler Street,	1,660	4
" "	Tyler Street,	Charles Street,	912	10
Forest Place,	Kellogg Street,	Tyler Street,	700	6
Fourth Street,	East Street,	Curtis Street,	3,250	12
Francis Avenue,	West Street, north,		2,850	6
" "	End of six inch pipe,	Alder Street,	680	4
George Street,	Elizabeth Street,	South Street,	668	6
Goodrich Street,	Church Street,	South Church St.,	290	4
Guilds Place,	Appleton Avenue, east,		610	1¼
Hamlin Street,	First Street,	Second Street,	800	4
Hancock Road,	North Street, west,		3,600	3
Harris Street,	West Housatonic Street, south,		324	4
Harvard Street,	Dalton Avenue, north,		684	6
Henry Avenue,	West Housatonic Street,	South Street,	1,575	8
High Street,	Elm Street,	Pomeroy Avenue,	3,500	4
Holmes Road,	" "	William Street,	2,800	3
Howard Street,	East Housatonic, south,		600	3
" "	End of three inch pipe,	Pomeroy Avenue,	1,800	4
John Street, north,	Linden Street,	Columbus Avenue,	1,500	4
John Street, south,	West Street,	" "	1,080	4
Jordan Avenue,	West Street, south,		924	4
Kellogg Street,	Dalton Avenue,	Brown Street,	1,345	8
Kent Avenue,	Seymour Street, east,		460	3
King Street,	Linden Street, north,		2,188	4
Lake Street,	Second Street,	Fourth Street,	900	8
Lake Avenue,	Onota Street, west,		735	4
Learned Lane,	East Housatonic Street,	Taconic Street,	400	3
Leidhold Place,	River Street, west,		162	1¼
Lenox Avenue,	Weller Avenue,	Wahconah Street,	4,300	10
Lincoln Street,	Fourth Street, west,		1,850	4
Linden Street,	North Street,	Onota Street,	3,180	8
Madison Avenue,	North Street, west,		400	1
" "	River Street, east,		1,900	3
Maplewood Avenue,	North Street,	Wellington Ave.,	2,020	4
Maple Street,	Spring Street,	Cherry Street,	430	4
Maud Street,	First Street, east,		248	4
McKay Street,	Depot Street, south,		500	4
Melville Street,	North Street,	First Street,	760	4
Merriam Street,	West Housatonic Street, north,		707	6
" "	West Street, south,		490	6
Mill Street,	West Housatonic Street, north,		1,327	4
" "	West Street, south,		654	2
Mill Brook Line,	Elm Street,	New Lenox,	24,855	12
Myrtle Street,	Tyler Street, north,		600	4
Newell Street,	Elm Street, east,		650	4
" "	From end of four inch pipe,		600	1
New West Street,	West Street, east,		480	4
North Street,	East Street,	Whelden's Block,	1,410	10
" "	Whelden's Block,	Tyler Street,	2,610	8
" "	Tyler Street,	Charles Street,	930	4
" "	Charles Street,	Weller Avenue,	450	10
" "	King's Store,	Pontoosuc Lake,	3,200	8
North Pearl Street,	Melville Street, south,		214	1¼
" " "	Melville Street,	Maplewood Ave.,	809	4
Oak Street,	Lincoln Street, south,		278	4
Onota Street,	West Street.	Cemetery Farm,	5,050	4
Orchard Street,	North Street, east,		950	4
" "	End of four inch pipe,	Second Street,	400	3
Oxford Street,	Brenton Terrace, east,		204	6
Park Street,	Seymour Street,	Wahconah Street,	500	4
Parker Street,	Tyler Street,	Kellogg Street,	750	4
Pearl Street,	Fenn Street,	Cottage Row,	520	3
Peck's Road,	Wahconah Street,	Peck's Upper Mill,	4,816	8
Pleasant Street,	Second Street,	Lincoln Street,	1,000	4
Pleasure Avenue,	Tyler Street,	Stoddard Avenue,	442	4
Plunkett Street,	" "	Kellogg Street,	750	4

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Location.	From.	To	Feet.	Size.
Pomeroy Avenue,	East Street,	E. Housatonic St.,	1,200	4
" "	East Housatonic Street,	Broad Street,	1,025	2
" "	Broad Street, south,		350	8
" "	Pomeroy Avenue, private land,	Howard Street,	475	8
" "	Howard Street,	Crofut Street,	124	4
" "	William Street,	Cutting's Farm,	4,675	4
Pontoosuc Avenue,	Lenox Avenue,	Curtin's Store,	1,200	8
Prospect Street,	Daniels Avenue,	River Street,	690	4
Reed Street,	South Street,	Elizabeth Street,	712	3
Renne Avenue,	Fenn Street, north,		150	4
" "	End of four inch pipe, north,		198	8
" "	End of eight inch pipe, north,		192	4
Renne Avenue Line,	North Street,	Renne Avenue,	270	8
Richmond Avenue,	Wahconah Street, north,		1,200	2
River Street,	Alder Street,	Prospect Street,	1,740	6
" "	End of six inch pipe, south,		1,258	4
" "	End of four inch pipe, south,		300	3
" "	End of three inch pipe,	West Street,	212	1
Root Place,	Elm Street, east,		370	3
Robbins Avenue,	Circular Avenue,	Circular Avenue,	740	4
" "	Circular Avenue, north,		1,450	4
" "	Madison Avenue,	Alder Street,	380	3
Russell Street,	Wahconah Street,	Russell's Mill,	1,625	4
School Street,	North Street,	Allen Street,	340	4
Second Street,	East Street,	Silver Street,	1,000	4
" "	Silver Street,	Lake Street.	600	8
" "	Lake Street,	Adam Street,	280	4
" "	Adam Street,	Lincoln Street,	810	3
" "	Lincoln Street,	Burbank Street,	970	4
Seymour Street,	Linden Street, north,		200	4
" "	Madison Avenue,	Kent Avenue,	540	3
" "	Park Street,	Wahconah Street,	730	4
Silver Street,	Second Street, east,		240	3
South Street,	East Street, south,		1,300	10
" "	End of ten inch pipe, south,		400	6
" "	End of six inch pipe,	Henry Avenue,	400	3
" "	Henry Avenue,	South Mountain St.	5,200	8
South Church Street,	Goodrich Street,	B & A. R R.	1,720	4
Southern Avenue,	Robbins Avenue,	River Street,	380	6
Spring Street,	Curtis Street,	Burbank Street,	800	12
Springside Avenue,	North Street, east,		608	6
Stoddard Avenue,	Myrtle Street,	Pleasure Avenue,	357	4
Summer Street,	North Street,	Francis Avenue,	1,110	3
Taconic Street,	Wendell Avenue,	South Street,	530	4
Taylor Street,	South Street, west,		1,000	6
Third Street,	Fenn Street, north,		650	3
" "	End of three inch pipe, north,		76	8
" "	End of eight inch pipe, north,		424	8
Tyler Street,	Burbank Street, private land,	Tyler Street,	152	12
" "	First Street,	Head of Spring St.,	1,856	12
" "	Brown Street,	Dalton Avenue,	1,500	4
" "	Dalton Avenue,	Benedict Road,	2,022	6
" "	First Street,	North Street,	280	8
Union Street,	North Street,	Daniels Avenue,	1,420	3
Wahconah Street,	" "	Pontoosuc Avenue,	3,250	4
" "	Pontoosuc Avenue,	Icove Street,	350	6
" "	Lenox Avenue,	King's Store,	800	8
Washington Avenue,	" "	Briggs Avenue,	800	4
Water Street,	Elm Street, south,		1,412	4
Weller Avenue,	North Street,	Lenox Avenue,	720	10
" "	Lenox Avenue,	Briggs Avenue,	411	6
Wellington Avenue,	Orchard Street, south,		300	2
" "	End of two inch pipe,	Hamlin Street,	875	3
Wendell Avenue,	Broad Street, north,		400	6
" "	End of six inch pipe,	E. Housatonic St.,	550	3
" "	East Housatonic Street,	East Street.	1,187	4
West Street,	North Street,	B. & A. R. R. Co.,	1,200	6
" "	Across B. & A. Tracks,	Francis Avenue,	350	4
" "		N.Y., N.H. & H. Yd.	330	4
" "	Foot bridge, west,		310	6

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Location.	From	To	Feet.	Size.
West Street,	End of six inch,	Foot of Briggs Hill	2,560	4
" "	Foot of Briggs Hill,	Florence Learned,	1,565	8
W. Housatonic St.,	South Street,	Henry Avenue,	1,700	4
" "	Henry Avenue,	Harris Street,	350	8
" "	Harris Street,	Merriam Street,	2,550	3
West Union Street,	John Street, west,		238	4
Whipple Street,	Fenn Street, south,		170	1
" "	Beaver Street, north,		180	1
Willis Place,	East Street, north,		495	3
Winter Street,	Burbank Street, south,		480	4
Worthington Street,	Center Street, west,		550	3
Worthington Place,	Worthington Street, south,		300	4
Hydrant Branches,			2,060	6
" "			2,140	4
" "			280	3
Total Length,			293,142	
			51.51 Miles.	

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LOCATION AND SIZE OF MAIN GATES.

LOCATION.	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	1½
Abbott st. corner North st.,							1			
Alcove st. corner Wahconah st.,							1			
Alder st. corner Seymour st.,								1		
Alder st. corner Daniels ave.,						1				
Allen st. corner Dunham st.,						1				
Adam st. corner Second st.,							1			
Appleton ave. corner of East st.,							1			
Appleton ave. cor. East Housatonic st.,							2			
Appleton ave. corner of Dawes ave.,							1			
Atwood ave., corner Henry ave.,							1			
Bartlett ave. corner of East st.,							1			
Bartlett ave. corner East Housatonic st.,							1			
Beaver st. corner East st.,							1			
Beaver st. near Fenn st.,							2			
Beach st. corner Tyler st.,						1				
Bradford st. corner North st.,								1		
Bradford st. corner Francis ave.,							1			
Bradford st. corner Daniels ave.,						1	1			
Bradford st. corner River st.,						1				
Briggs ave. corner Weller ave.,							1			
Briggs ave. corner Washington ave.,							1			
Briggs ave. corner Pontoosuc ave.,						1				
Brenton Terrace, cor. W. Housatonic st.,						1				
Broad st. corner South st.,					1					
Broad st. corner Pomeroy av.,					1					
Brown st. corner Tyler st.,							1			
Brown st. corner Curtis st.,					1					
Buell st. corner South st.,								1		
Buell st. corner of Elizabeth st.,								1		
Burbank st. corner North st.,							1			
Burbank st. corner Second st.,							1			
Burbank st. corner Spring st.,							2			
Center st. corner South Church st.,								1		
Charles st. corner North st.,						1				
Charles st. corner Wahconah st.,						1				
Cherry st. corner Lincoln st.,							2			
Church st. corner South st.,							1			
Circular ave. corner Francis ave.,							1			
Circular ave. corner Division st.,							2			
Circular ave. corner Robbins ave.,							1			
Clapp ave. corner of West st.,							1			
Columbus ave. corner North st.,							1			
Columbus ave. corner Francis ave.,						1	1			
Columbus ave. corner River st.,							1			
Columbus ave. corner John st.,							1			
Cove st. corner Beaver st.,									1	
Crescent st. corner Francis ave.,							1			
Crescent st. corner Francis ave.,							1			
Crosier ave. corner Newell st.,										
Curtis st. corner Fourth st.,			1		1					
Curtis st. corner Winter st.,						1				
Commonwealth ave. corner Elm st,,						1				
Commonwealth ave. corner Dawes ave.,						1				
Crofut st. corner Pomeroy ave.,							1			

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LOCATION.	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	1½
Daniels ave. corner Columbus ave.,							1			
Daniels ave. corner Bradford st.,							1			
Daniels ave. corner Linden st.,							2			
Daniels ave. corner Madison ave.,							1			
Daniels ave. corner Alder st.,							1			
Dawes ave. corner Holmes road,				1						
Dawes ave. corner Commonwealth ave.,					1					
Dawes ave. corner Appleton ave.,					1					
Dawes ave. corner Howard st.,					1					
Dalton ave. corner of Kellogg st.,					1					
Dalton ave. corner Tyler st.,					1					
Depot st. corner North st.,						1				
Depot st. corner Morton place,						1				
Depot st. line at Columbus ave.,						1				
Division st. corner Circular ave.,							2			
Dunham st. corner North st.,						1				
East st. corner of North st.			1							
East st. corner Fourth st.,			1							
East Housatonic st. corner South st.,							1			
East Housatonic st. corner Bartlett ave.,							1			
East Housatonic st. corner Pomeroy ave.,							1			
Elizabeth st. corner Henry ave.,							1	1		
Elizabeth st. corner Buell st.,							1			
Elm st. near Tannery bridge,	1		4				2			
Elm st. near Newell st.,							2			
Elm st. corner of Holmes road,	1									
Elm st. near Pleasure Park,	1									
Elm st. near Merrick Foot's,			1				2			
Elm st. near Pumping Station,	2		2	1	1		2			
Elm st. near Ashley Reservoir,	2		1	2						
Elm st. near Hathaway Reservoir,			1	2			2			
Elm st. near Lull's,							1			
Elm st. near Sackett Reservoir,			2							
Elm st. at Ashley Lake,	2									
Elm st. on Mill Brook Line,	2		10			7				
Fenn st. corner of Fourth st.,							2			
Fenn st. corner of North st.,							1			
Fenn st. corner of Second st.,							1			
First st. corner of Fenn st.,								1		
First st. corner of Hamlin st.,						1				
First st. corner of Burbank st.,							2			
First st. corner of Tyler st.,			1				1			
Fourth st. corner of East st.,								1		
Fourth st. corner of Fenn st.,			1							
Fourth st. near Tillotson's,			1				1			
Fourth st. on Tillotson's pipe,					1		1			
Forest Place, corner of Kellogg st.,						1				
Forest Place, corner of Tyler st.,						1				
Francis ave. corner of Circular ave.,						1				
Francis ave. corner Columbus ave.,						1				
Francis ave. corner of Union st.,						1				
Francis ave. corner of Linden st.,						2				
Francis ave. corner of Madison ave.,							2			
Guilds Place corner of Appleton ave.,										1
George st. corner of South st.,						1				
George st. corner of Elizabeth st.,						1				

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LOCATION.	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	1½
Hancock Road,										
Hamlin st. corner of First st.,							1	1	1	
Hamlin st. corner of Second st.,							1			
Harris st. corner of West Housatonic st.,							1			
Harvard st. corner of Dalton ave.,						1	1			
Henry ave. corner West Housatonic st.,										
Henry ave. corner of Elizabeth st.,					1					
Henry ave. corner of South st.,					1					
High st. corner of Elm st.,							1			
High st. corner of Dawes ave.,							1			
High st. corner of Appleton ave.,							1			
High st. corner of Pomeroy ave.,							1			
Holmes Road corner of Elm st.,	1							1		
Howard st. corner East Housatonic st.,								1		
Howard st. corner of Dawes ave.,							2			
Howard st. near Lowden's,							1			
John st. corner of West st.,							1			
John st. corner of Linden st.,							1			
Jordan ave. corner of West st.,							2			
Jordan ave. on end of pipe.							1			
Kellogg st. corner of Brown st.,					1					
Kellogg st. corner of Parker st.,					1					
King st. corner of Linden st.,							1			
Lake st. corner of Fourth st.,					1					
Lake st. corner of Third st.,					2					
Lake st. corner of Second st.,					1					
Lake ave. corner of Onota st.,							1			
Learned's Lane corner E. Housatonic st.,								1		
Lenox ave. corner of Weller ave.,				1						
Lenox ave. corner of Pontoosuc ave.,				1						
Lenox ave. corner of Wahconah st.,				1	1					
Lincoln st. corner of Second st.,							2			
Lincoln st. corner of Fourth st.,							1			
Linden st. corner of North st.,					1					
Linden st. corner of Francis ave.,					1					
Linden st. corner of Daniels ave.,					1					
Linden st. corner of Robbins ave.,					1					
Linden st. corner of River st.,					1					
Linden st. corner of John st.,					1					
Linden st. corner of Onota st.,					1					
Madison ave. corner of North st.,										
Madison ave. corner of Daniels ave.,								1		
Madison ave. corner of River st.,								1		
Maplewood ave. corner of North st.,							1			
Maplewood ave. corner Wellington ave.,								1		
Maple st. corner of Spring st.,							1			
Melville st. corner of North st.,							1			
Merriman st. corner of West st.						1				
Merriman st. corner West Housatonic st.,						1				
Mill st. corner of West Housatonic st.,							1			
Mill st. corner of West st.,									1	
Myrtle st. corner of Tyler st.,							1			
Newell st. corner of Elm st.,							1			
New West st. corner of West st.,							1			
North st. corner of East st.,				1						
North st. near Academy of Music,				1						

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LOCATION.	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	1½
North st. near Whelden's,					1					
North st. bet. Madison ave.—Linden st.,					1					
North st. corner of Wahconah st.,					1					
North st. near S. N. Russell's,				1			1			
North st. near Pontoosuc School,					1					
North st. near Pontoosuc Mill,					1	1				
North st. near Pontoosuc Dam,					1		1			
North Pearl st. corner of Melville st.,							1		1	
North Pearl st. corner Maplewood ave.,							1			
Onota st. corner of West st.,							1			
Onota st. corner of Linden st.,							1			
Oak st. corner of Lincoln st.,							1			
Oak st., Smith Planing Mill,							1			
Orchard st. corner of North st.,							1			
Oxford st.,						1				
Park st. corner of Wahconah st.,							1			
Pearl st. corner of Fenn st.,								1		
Peck's Road near Curtin's Store,					1					
Peck's Road near Russell's Mill,					1	1				
Peck's Road near Peck's Lower Mill,					2	1				
Peck's Road near Peck's Upper Mill,					1					
Pleasant st. corner of Adam st.,							1			
Pleasant st. corner of Lincoln st.,							1			
Pleasure ave. corner Tyler st.,							1			
Plunkett st. corner of Tyler st.,							1			
Plunkett st. corner of Kellogg st.,							1			
Pomeroy ave. corner of East st.,							1			
Pomeroy ave. corner E. Housatonic st.,							1		1	
Pomeroy ave. corner of Broad st.,							1			
Pomeroy ave. near Noble Bridge,							1			
Pontoosuc ave. corner of Lenox ave.,					1					
Pontoosuc ave. corner of Wahconah st.,					1					
Prospect st. corner of Daniels ave.,							1			
Prospect st. corner of Robbins ave.,							1			
Reed st. corner of Elizabeth st.,								1		
Renne ave., line at North st.,					1					
River st. corner of West st.,								1		
River st. near Columbus ave.,							1			
River st. corner of Bradford st.,						1				
River st. corner of Linden st.,						1				
River st. corner of Madison ave.,						1				
Root Place corner of Elm st.,								1		
Robbins ave. corner of Division st.,							1			
Robbins ave. corner of Circular ave.,							1			
Robbins ave. corner of Bradford st.,							1			
Robbins ave. corner of Linden st.,						2				
Robbins ave. corner of Madison ave.,								1		
Russell st. near Wahconah st.,							1			
School st. corner of North st.,							1			
Second st. corner of East st.,							1			
Second st. corner of Fenn st.,							1			
Second st. corner of Silver st.,								1		
Second st. corner of Lake st.,							1			
Second st. corner of Adam st.,							1			
Second st. corner of Burbank st.,							1			
Seymour st. corner of Linden st.,							1			

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LOCATION.	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	1½
Seymour st. corner of Wahconah st.,							1			
South st. corner of West st.,				1						
South st. corner of East Housatonic st.,				1						
South st. bet. E. Hous. and Taconic sts..						1				
South st. corner of Henry ave.,							1			
South st. corner of Broad st.,					1					
South st. corner of Taylor st.,					1					
South st. corner of Cole ave.,					1					
South Church st. corner of Center st.,							1			
South Church st., branch, clock shop,						1	1			
Southern ave. corner of River st.,						1				
Southern ave. corner of Robbins ave.,						1				
Springside ave. corner of North st.,										
Stoddard ave. corner of Myrtle st.,							1			
Summer st. corner of North st.,								1		
Summer st. corner of Francis ave.,							1			
Taconic st. corner of South st.,							1			
Taylor st. corner of South st.,						1				
Third st. corner of Fenn st.,								1		
Tyler st. near head of Spring st.,			1							
Tyler st. corner of First st.,						1				
Tyler st. corner of Pleasure ave.,			1							
Tyler st. corner of Brown st.,							1			
Tyler st. corner of Dalton ave.,						1	1			
Tyler st. corner of Parker st.,							1			
Tyler st. near Beech st.,						1				
Union st. corner of North st.,								1		
Union st. corner of Francis ave.,							1	1		
Wahconah st. near Drake, blacksmith,								1		
Wahconah st. above Rosenhein store,							1			
Wahconah st. near Russell st.,							1			
Washington ave. corner of Weller ave.,							1			
Water st. corner of Elm st.,							1			
Weller ave. corner of North st.,				1						
Weller ave. corner of Lenox ave.,						1				
Wellington ave. corner of Hamlin st.,								1		
Wellington ave. corner of Orchard st.,							1			
Wendell ave. corner of East st.,							1			
Wendell ave. corner East Housatonic st.,							1	1		
Wendell ave. corner of Broad st.,						1				
West st. corner of North st.,						1				
West st. near Pittsfield House,						1				
West st. near Francis ave.,							1			
West st. corner of John st.,							1			
West st. near Mrs. Briggs',					1					
West Housatonic st. corner South st.,							1			
West Housatonic st. corner Henry ave.,					1		1			
West Housatonic st. corner Mill st.,					1					
West Union st. corner of John st.,							1			
Willis Place corner of East st.,								1		
Worthington st. corner Center st.,								1		
On Lines to Buildings,						3	13	1	3	
On Hydrant Branches,						106	5			
Total, 484.	12		29	15	47	167	174	31	7	2

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LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.	Make.	Size.	Description.
Allen st., near Engine House,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
Appleton ave., near Mrs. Gerry Guilds,	"	4	Single
Appleton ave., near Van Sickler's,	"	4	"
Alder st., corner Francis ave.,	"	4	"
Alcove st.,	"	4	"
Bank row, near Athenæum,	"	3	"
Bradford st., corner of Northrup,	"	3	"
Bradford st., corner of Robbins ave.,	"	6	Steamer
Bradford st., corner Daniels ave.,	"	4	Double
Broad st., head of Wendell av.,	"	6	Steamer
Briggs ave., near Tracy's,	"	4	Single
Burbank st., corner of Second st.,	Ayers,	4	"
Burbank st., corner of Spring st.,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
Bartlett ave., west side,	"	4	Single
Beaver st., near Cove st.,	"	4	Double
Beaver st., near Lyman court,	Ayers,	4	Single
Brown st., near W. H. Whiting's,	Matthews,	4	Double
Brown st., corner of Tyler st.,	"	4	"
Brenton terrace and Beech Grove ave.,	"	6	Steamer
Beaver st., near Peck st.,	"	4	Single
Charles st., near A. S. Morse,	"	6	Steamer
Charles st., corner of Wahconah st.,	"	6	"
Circular ave., corner of Robbins ave.,	"	4	Single
Circular ave., corner of Division st.,	"	6	Steamer
Clapp ave., corner of Ward's,	"	4	Single
Clapp ave., near F. G. Guild's office,	"	6	Steamer
Columbus ave., near American House,	"	4	Double
Columbus ave., opposite Gamwell's block,	"	4	Single
Columbus ave., corner Daniels ave.,	"	4	"
Columbus ave., corner of South John st.,	"	4	"
Cottage row, corner of Pearl st.,	Ayers,	3	"
Commonwealth ave., corner of Elm st.,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
Commonwealth Ave., near Dr. Geo. M. Wentworth,	"	6	"
Commonwealth ave., near Dawes ave.,	"	6	"
Dalton ave., corner of Tyler st.,	"	6	"
Dalton ave., corner Harvard st.,	"	6	"
Dalton ave., corner of Westminster st.,	"	6	"
Dalton ave., corner of Dartmouth st.,	"	6	"
Dalton ave., corner of Benedict road,	"	6	"
Depot st., corner of McKay st.,	Ludlow	6	"
Dawes ave., corner of Caledonia st.,	Matthews,	4	Single
Dawes ave, near William Stanley's,	"	4	Double
Dawes ave., corner of Howard st.,	"	6	Steamer
East st., north side of Park,	"	6	Double
East st., corner of Wendell ave.,	Ayers,	3	Single

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East st., corner of Pomeroy ave.,	Matthews,	4	Double
East st., north side, near Miss Clapp's,	"	4	Single
East st., in triangle, Beaver and Elm sts.,	"	4	"
Elm st., opposite Root's lane,	"	6	Steamer
Elm st., corner of Water st.,	"	4	Single
Elm st., north side, near John Strong's,	Ayers,	4	"
Elm st., corner of Meadow lane,	Matthews,	4	"
Elm st., near Charles Read's,	"	6	Steamer
Elm st., near Allan Renfrew's,	"	6	"
Elm st., near Pleasure park,	"	6	"
East Housatonic st., opposite Howard st.,	Ayers,	4	Single
East Housatonic st., cor. of Pomeroy ave.,	Matthews,	4	Double
East Housatonic st., cor. of Learned's lane,	Ayers,	3	Single
East Housatonic st., corner of Water st.,	Matthews,	4	Double
Elizabeth st., corner of Buell st.,	"	4	Single
Elizabeth st., foot of Clinton ave.,	"	4	"
Francis ave., near foot bridge,	Ayers,	4	"
Francis ave., near William Renne's,	Matthews,	4	"
Francis ave., corner of Columbus ave.,	"	4	Double
Francis ave., corner of Union st.,	"	4	Single
Fenn st., corner of Second st.,	Ayers,	4	"
Fenn st., corner of Pearl st.,	Matthews,	4	Double
Fenn st., corner of Third st.,	Ayers,	3	Single
Fenn st., corner of Fourth st.,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
First st., corner of Fenn st.,	"	4	Single
First st., corner of Adam st.,	Ayers,	3	"
First st., corner of Hamlin st.,	Matthews,	4	Double
First st., corner of Orchard st.,	Ayers,	4	Single
First st., corner Tyler st.,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
First st., in triangle at North and Stoddard ave.,	"	6	"
Forest place, corner of Tyler st.,	"	6	"
Fourth st., near Brown's block,	"	6	"
Fourth st., between Tillotson's and railroad,	"	6	"
Fourth st., near railroad,	"	6	"
Fourth st., corner of Lincoln st.,	"	6	"
Harris st., near Pomeroy mills,	"	4	Single
Harvard st., near F. H. Taylor's,	"	6	Steamer
Henry ave., corner of East Mill st.,	"	6	"
Henry ave., corner of Elizabeth st.,	"	6	"
High st., opposite East Housatonic st.,	"	4	Double
Howard st., near Henry Dunbar's,	"	3	Single
Howard st., at junction of Pomeroy ave.,	"	4	"
Holmes road, near N. A. Mills,	"	6	Steamer
Holmes road, corner of William st.,	"	3	Single
John st., corner of West Union st.,	"	4	"

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Kellogg st., corner of Parker st.,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
Kellogg st., corner of Forest place,	"	6	"
Kellogg st., corner of Dalton ave.,	"	6	"
Kellogg Steam Power mill,	"	6	"
King st., about 500 feet from Linden st.,	"	4	"
King st., about 1000 feet from Linden st.,	"	4	"
King st., about 1500 feet from Linden st.,	"	4	"
Linden st., head of Seymour st.,	"	6	"
Linden st., corner of Francis ave.,	"	4	Double
Linden st., corner of Daniels ave.,	"	6	Steamer
Linden st., corner of Robbins ave.,	"	6	"
Linden st., corner of River st.,	"	4	Double
Linden st., corner of John st.,	"	6	Steamer
Linden st., corner of Onota st.,	"	6	"
Lincoln st., corner of Second st.,	"	4	Single
Lincoln st., corner of Cherry st.,	"	4	"
Lake ave., corner of Onota st.	"	4	Double
Lake ave., corner of View st.,	"	4	"
Lenox ave., corner of Weller ave.,	"	6	Steamer
Lenox ave., corner of Pontoosuc ave.,	"	6	"
Lenox ave., 500 ft. north of Pontoosuc ave.,	"	6	"
Lenox ave., 500 feet north of above,	"	6	"
Lenox ave., 500 feet north of above,	"	6	"
Lenox ave., 500 feet north of above,	"	6	"
Lenox ave., 500 feet north of above,	"	6	"
Lenox ave., junction of Wahconah st.,	"	6	"
Madison ave., corner of Seymour st.,	Ayers,	3	Single
Madison ave., corner of Robbins ave.,	"	4	"
Maplewood ave., corner of Wellington ave.,	"	4	"
McKay st., corner of Burbank lane,	Matthews,	4	"
Merriam st., corner of West st.,	"	6	Steamer
Merriam st., near Philip Knight's,	"	6	"
Merriam st., near Frank Nelson's,	"	6	"
Mill st., near Satinet mill,	"	4	Single
Myrtle st., corner of Tyler st.,	"	4	"
North st., corner of West st.,	Ludlow,	6	Steamer
North st., corner of School st.,	"	6	"
North st., corner of Dunham st.,	"	6	"
North st., near Andler bakery,	"	6	"
North st., near G. N. Hopkins' store,	Matthews,	4	Double
North st., corner of Merrill's driveway,	"	6	Steamer
North st., corner of Melville st.,	"	4	Double
North st., corner of Bradford st.	"	6	Steamer
North st., corner of Linden st.,	"	4	Double
North st., corner of Madison ave.,	"	6	Steamer
North st., corner of Orchard st.,	Ayers,	4	Single
North st., near S. N. Russell's,	Ayers,	4	Single

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North st., in triangle at Drake's blacksmith shop,	Matthews,	6	Steame
North st.; opposite Springside ave.,	Matthews,	6	Steame
North st., corner of Weller ave.,	"	6	"
North st., near King's store,	"	6	"
North st., near Pontoosuc school,	"	6	"
North st., near Charles Harder's,	"	6	"
North st., top of Pontoosuc Hill,	"	6	"
Newell st.,	Ayers,	4	Single
North Pearl st., near City yard,	Matthews,	4	"
Onota st., near Gimlich & White's,	Ayers,	4	"
Onota st., near Schoolhouse,	Matthews,	4	"
Oxford st., corner of Brenton terrace,	"	6	Steamer
Park st., corner of Seymour st.,	"	4	Single
Peck's road, near Russell school,	"	6	Steamer
Peck's road, near gate at Catholic cemetery,	"	6	"
Peck's road, near Peck's Lower mill,	"	6	"
Peck's rd, between Upper and Lower mill,	"	6	"
Peck's rd, between Upper and Lower mill,	"	6	"
Pleasant st., bet. Second and Lincoln sts.,	"	4	Double
Pleasure ave., corner of Stoddard ave.,	"	4	Single
Plunkett st., corner of Kellogg st.,	"	4	"
Pontoosuc ave., corner of Briggs ave.,	"	6	Steamer
Pomeroy ave., foot of Broad st.,	"	6	"
Pomeroy ave., at Col. Cutting's farm,	"	4	Single
Renne ave, near Whittlesey building,	"	6	Steamer
New West st., near railroad,	"	4	Double
River st., foot of Prospect st.,	"	4	Single
Robbins ave., near M. Lederer's,	"	4	Double
Robbins ave., corner of Prospect st.,	Ayers,	4	Single
Robbins ave., corner of Alder st.,	Matthews,	4	Double
Second st., head of Silver st.,	"	6	Steamer
Second st., head of Lake st.,	"	6	"
Second st., corner of Hamlin st.,	Ayers,	3	Single
Silver st.,	"	4	"
Spring st., opposite Maple st.,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
South st., corner of Bank row,	"	4	Double
South st., corner of Church st.,	Perkins,	4	Single
South st., corner of West Housatonic st.,	Matthews,	4	Double
South st., corner of Reed st.,	"	4	Single
South st., corner of Henry ave.,	"	6	Steamer
South st., corner of George st.,	"	6	"
South st., below Mrs. Redfield's, east side,	"	6	"
South st., corner of Crofut st.,	"	6	"
South st., near A. B. Stevens,	"	6	"
South st., corner of South Mountain st.,	"	6	"
South Church st., corner of Goodrich st.,	"	4	Double

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South Church st., back White's gr'nhouse,	Matthews,	4	Single
Summer st., near Mrs. S. T. Whipple,	"	4	"
Taylor st., near Mrs. Oles,	"	4	Double
Taylor st., about 500 feet from South st.,	"	6	Steamer
Tyler st., opposite Pleasure ave.,	"	6	"
Tyler st., corner of Pine st.,	"	6	"
Tyler st., corner of Parker st.,	"	4	Single
Tyler st., corner of Benedict road,	"	6	Steamer
Tyler st., near Beech st.,	"	6	"
Tyler st., bet. Beech st. and Dalton ave.,	"	6	"
Tyler st., bet. Beech st. and Dalton ave.,	"	6	"
Third st., corner of Lake st.,	"	6	"
Wahconah st., near George Murdock's,	"	4	Single
Wahconah st., near Rosenhein's store,	"	4	Stand p.
Wahconah st., opposite Rosenhein's store,	"	4	Single
Wahconah st., east side, near Grist mill,	"	4	"
Wahconah st., opp. P. P. Curtin's residence,	"	4	"
Wahconah st., front of Curtin's store,	"	4	"
Wahconah st., opposite Alcove st.,	"	6	Steamer
Weller ave., corner Richmond ave.,	"	6	"
Wendell ave., near J. H. Hinsdale,	"	4	Single
Wendell ave., near H. Neill Wilson,	"	6	Steamer
West st., near Backman's stable,	Ludlow,	4	Double
West st., near Clapp ave.,	"	4	"
West st., near Berkshire Grocery Co.,	"	4	"
West st., west of Pittsfield House,	Matthews,	4	"
West st., corner of Jordan ave.,	"	4	"
West st., near Mrs. George Briggs,	Ayers,	3	Single
West st., top of Briggs Hill,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
West st., near Florence Learned's,	"	6	"
West Housatonic st., corner of Center,	"	4	Single
West Housatonic st., cor. of Merriam st.,	"	4	"
Winter st., near Schoolhouse,	Ayers,	4	"
William st., near Sampson farm house,	Matthews,	6	Steamer
Worthington place,	"	4	Single

Private Hydrants.

Boston & Albany yard,
Pleasure Park,
C. E. Merrill's lumber yard,
Hurlbut Stationery Company,
Cheshire Shoe Company,
Robbins & Gamwell, near Vic. Viner's barn,
W. G. Morton, back of Morton building,
Peck's Upper Mill,
Peck's Lower Mill,
Berkshire County Jail,

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Tillotson's Knitting Mill—Four,
S. N. & C. Russell Mfg. Co.—Five,
Taconic Mills—Five,
Pontoosuc Woolen Company—Six,
Hose Tower, School st.

INVENTORY OF TOOLS AND APPLIANCES.

1 Miller tapping machine,
7 Drills for same,
2 Meter wrenches,
1 Monkey wrench,
6 S wrenches,
2 Curb stop wrenches,
13 Taps from ⅜ inch to 2 inch,
12 Flat drills from ⅜ in. to 2 in.,
1 Set of pipe dies from 1 in. to 2 in,
1 Ratchet drill stock,
2 Carpenter's chisels,
4 Striking hammers,
1 Cross pean hammer,
13 Rock drills,
4 lbs. of shims and wedges,
5 Shovels, square point, short handles,
91 Picks,
14 Crow bars,
2 Iron rakes,
1 Scythe and snath,
4 Tampers,
1 Portable forge,
5 Pairs of blacksmith tongs,
1 Blacksmith sledge hammer,
21 Lanterns,
3 1-gallon oil cans,
1 Bit brace,
2 Augurs,
1 Key hole saw,
2 Tape lines,
1 6 inch follower,
2 ¾ driving points,
1 Pipe vice,
2 12 foot ladders,
1 Charcoal furnace,
2 Large lead kettles,
5 Large lead ladles,
2 Soldering irons,
2 Axes,
17 Gaskets for same,
3 Wrenches for same,
4 Stilson wrenches,
4 Chain wrenches,
8 Gate wrenches,
4 Hydrant wrenches,
3 Reamers from 1¼ in. to 2 in.
1 Set of pipe dies from ¼ in to 1in
3 Ratchet die stocks,
22 Cold chisels,
8 Stone hammers,
4 Hand hammers,
1 Carpenter's hammer,
4 Hand drills,
36 Shovels, round point, short handles,
1 Spade,
6 Mattocks,
2 Tamping bars,
2 Pipe brushes, 6 in. and 8 in.
1 Bush hook and snath,
100 ¾ Rubber hose,
1 Anvil,
2 Blacksmith chisels,
1 Flatter,
1 5-gallon oil can,
2 Small oilers,
2 Bits,
4 Hand saws,
2 Spirit levels,
4 4 inch followers,
1 8 inch follower,
2 Bench vices,
5 Wheelbarrows,
2 Large fire pots,
1 Gasolene furnace,
1 Small lead kettle,
1 Small lead ladle,
5 Hoes,
2 Draw shaves,

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3 Trowels,
8 Files,
13 Calking irons,
2 Lead chisels,
1 Steel stamp (Water Dept.),
4 Wooden pails,
1 Oat-meal can,
1 Set tackle blocks and rope,
1 Set screen tackles,
2 Small chains,
3 Drag ropes,
1 8 inch Centrifugal pump,
1 Pump diaphram—rubber,
2 Lead kettle hooks,
2 Horse scrapers,
3 Coal hods,
2 Barn brooms,
1 Pair of tinner's shears,
2 ¾ Crown meters,
1 Square,
1 Pair pipe tongs,
7 Calking rammers,
4 Cleaning spoons,
4 Iron pails,
1 Tin dipper,
2 Four legged pipe derricks, with box and ropes,
2 Pipe chains,
4 Tool boxes,
1 No. 2 Union Hardware pump
1 Length of suction hose,
2 Anchors,
15 Pipe jointers, from 4 to 16 in.
2 Stoves,
2 Wooden mallets,
6 Extension ditch braces,
1 1 inch Crown meter,
2 ½ inch Crown meters.

LIST OF PIPE, SPECIAL CASTINGS AND GATES.

Size.	Pipe (Feet.)	Gates.	⅛ Bends.	¼ Bends.	½ Bends.	Reducers.	Increasers.	Y's.	T's.	Sleeves.	Plugs.	Cross.
16	44									5		
12												
14	24									2		
12							1					
8								2				
4								1	1			
12	276		2	5	3					1	2	
10						4						
6												2
4												
10	312			5	4					3		
8						3					7	
6												
4						1		1				
8	480	1			9					1	5	
6						2	2		1			
4									1			
6	20			2	5				1	9		1
4						6	2					
4	100			1	2					1	3	
3												
3	24					6						
4												

700 ft. 4 in. pipe that has been taken up.
400 ft. 3 in. " " " " " "

2-7 ft. Steamer Hydrant, } Matthews.
1-6 ft. " " }
1-8 ft. " " Ludlow.

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Size.	Corpor Cocks.	Stop and Waste.	Curb Stops.	Lead Pipe.	Unions.	45's.	Elbows.	Caps.	Plugs.	T's.	Red Coupling.	Red Bushing.	Coupling.	Solder Nipples.	Galv'. Pipe Feet.	Solid Unions.
1 in.	24	21	10	100	42	48	66	97	178	1			100		409	23
¾ in	52	83	85	82	20	17	5	78	126	25	15	42	340		2,044	72
½ in	48	5	11	280	9	34	17	90	101	38	3	19	218	23	32	70

17-1 in. Lead connections.
35-¾ in. "

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL ON HAND AT SCHOOL ST. TOOL HOUSE.

29 Gate stones,
123 Bars of solder—152 lbs.,
¼ Keg of 10 D nails,
3 Barrels of charcoal,
7 Waste valves for 4 in. Matthews hydrant,
12 Valves for 4 in. Matthews h'drnt.
3 Revolving nuts for 4 in. "
6 Stuffing boxes for 6 in. Ludlow hydrant,
3 Tops for 6 in Ludlow hydrant,
6 4 in. Ludlow gate stems,
1 8 in. " " "
28 lbs. of Sheet lead,
22 Pigs of lead—1760 pounds,
25 Bushels of coke,
5 Bales of jute,
4 Square ft. of rubber packing,
4 Valves for 3 in. Matthews hydrant,
3 Valves for 6 in. Math's h'drnt,
3 Tops for 4 in. "
6 Revolving nuts for 6 in. Ludlow hydrant,
3 Tops for 4 in. Ludlow hyd'ts,
4 6 in. Ludlow gate stems,
2 12 in. " " "
1 16 in. " " "
600 Brick.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. HATCH, Supt.

REPORT OF FOREMAN ON HIGHWAYS.

To the Honorable Board of Public Works:

Gentlemen: I herewith submit a report of the operations of the year 1896 in the Highway Department.

The care of snow roads was about one-third as great as in the previous winter, only about one thousand dollars being expended, and this amount includes the cutting out of gutters in the streets about the center of the City. There was no necessity for carting snow away from the streets in the center of the City, and no great amount of labor required in opening the roads for wagons in the early spring.

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On the disappearance of the snow in the spring the regular work of cleaning streets and repair of roads was begun. When the streets had been cleaned, gutters and catchbasins emptied, country roads smoothed up and turnpiked, stone raked out, water ways opened, gravelled where necessary, etc., work under special appropriations was commenced, and with the necessary care of the streets, occupied the remainder of the season.

In beginning a detailed account of the work of the year, I will first describe the work done under special appropriations:

BURBANK AND TYLER STREETS.

In doing the work on these two streets, for which the City Council made appropriation, we first cut out the gutters on Burbank Street, carrying the grade of the roadway back nearly to the sidewalks, making the travelled way considerably wider. The gutters on both sides were paved from Second Street to Cherry, and one catch basin rebuilt near the silk mill. The grading was continued to Tyler Street.

Tyler Street was graded to the line of the street, and gravel sidewalks built on both sides, from its junction with Burbank Street to Dalton Avenue. In some places it was necessary to cut 6½ feet, and a large amount of material was handled. Where cutting was necessary the material was used to fill at points where filling was necessary. The cuts furnished enough earth for all the fills, and some excess, which was used in widening the roadway of Tyler Street just west of its junction with Burbank. One sluice was widened at that point, and one small catch basin built near Dalton Avenue. The trees on Tyler Street which were removed in this work numbered 111, and were taken out on contract by Thomas Malloy After grading the entire roadway, it was gravelled, W A. Whittlesey furnished the gravel without charge.

ALDER STREET.

Under the special appropriation for Alder and Elizabeth Streets, Alder Street was graded from Seymour Street to River Street, and sidewalks built on both sides for a large portion of the distance. Three cross gutters were laid across

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the street, and about 15 feet of paving on a private way be ing to George Burbank; to carry away surface water, an flue was laid across River Street to take surface water : that point. In order to prevent damage we built a dyk north side of the street at one point, to keep surface w from private land. This dyke was paved with stone operates very successfully. The earth taken from the cut this street made all the fills, and a little extra was made of near at hand.

NORTH STREET.

From the south gateway to Davoll place on North Str south nearly to Drake's shop, the gutters were cut out and roadway graded. At the brow of the hill in front of S. Russell's house, the center of the street was cut 18 inches, a the gutters 2½ feet. Elsewhere no appreciable cut was ma in the center of the street. This work necessitated so grading on Charles Street, and before we left we had tu piked Charles Street its entire length. No special appropr tion was made for this job, but the work was paid for out the Highway appropriation.

PECK'S ROAD.

The appropriation for the grading of this street was ma late in the season, and the work had to be pushed to esca freezing weather. The work done on this street consisted grading the street from Wahconah Street to Peck's brid and partially grading it as far as the Hynes place. A cut 3½ feet was made by the Russell gravel bed, and a good d of fill in different places. Changes in the location of t roadbed, widening, etc., caused also large amounts of outti into banks on the upper or north side of the road, and t filling of banks on the lower side. In one place nearly op site the entrance to Catholic cemetery, the roadway was fil some seventeen feet in the widest place. This bank w about twenty feet high, and the fill was in the neighborh of 300 feet long. After grading, the entire roadway w gravelled from the Curtin bed. About 500 feet of new raili was required. There were laid two drains in this job, one feet long at the Russell bridge, and one 36 feet long at t

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Hynes place. Mr. Biladeau put in two catch basins at the intersection of Wahconah Street and Peck's road, and laid pipes from them to the river. There was laid a cross gutter near Peck's lower mill, 32½ feet long and 8 feet wide.

PONTOOSUC AVENUE.

The work which I had charge of on this job was as follows: Early in the season the steel cylinder purchased last year was laid in the bottom of the canal to the grist mill. In getting this cylinder low enough to satisfy the owners of the Cole water privilege, it was necessary to have the water pipe lowered and to do a large amount of excavating in the bottom of the canal. After the cylinder was in, walls were built at its ends, and a long retaining wall from the north end up the hill.

This fall we filled around the houses which had been raised by C. M. Markham on contract, taking the material from Briggs avenue. In doing this Briggs Avenue was cut down about four feet on the crown of the hill. A brick arch was built at the south end of the steel cylinder, to carry the sidewalk. The old wooden bridge over the river was removed, the old abutments taken down and new ones built to carry the new iron bridge which had been ordered. About 175 perch of stone was purchased for these abutments. On taking down the old ones, they were found to be built of such small and poor stone that it was impossible to make any use of them, except for filling back of the abutments. The foundations for the new abutments were carried down deeper than the old foundations, and the whole work done in a much more substantial manner. In order to get the foundations deep enough, it was necessary to shut out the water in the river. In building the west abutment we made an earth dam which kept the water away. On the east side we made a dam by filling bags with sand and piling them in the form of a dam around the place to be excavated, and filling in front with mud. In addition to building the abutments proper, quite a long wing wall was built on the northeast corner, and about 300 feet of new railing put up.

GENERAL REPAIR WORK.

The general repair and care of our streets and roads has

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involved a number of pieces of work which are important enough to receive special mention.

We gravelled the approaches to the bridge built over the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. on South Street, making a fine, wide roadway, at the request of the railroad company and at their expense.

Elm Street, from the end of the corduroy road, near the "Johnson" place, to the City line, was turnpiked and gravelled.

The Hale road was gravelled from the Hale place to the dry bridge near the Rice place.

The Junction Road, north of the B. & A. R. R., was gravelled, from the school house at the Junction westward to the foot of the hill.

West Street was gravelled and patched as needed, from Briggs hill to the mountain.

In connection with Mr. William Mahanna, the road from South Mountain Street to Mr. Mahanna's brick yard, was repaired. The most of the labor was expended on the soft portion of the road through the "swamp," where stone was filled in and covered with gravel. The City expended about $118 and Mr. Mahanna about $153.

The east New Lenox Road was turnpiked from the corner beyond the Sampson place to the City line. Portions of this road, on the sandy hills, should be gravelled.

West Housatonic Street was gravelled from South street to the Pomeroy bridge, and from Elizabeth Street to the bridge the shoulders of the roadway had to be picked off by hand, and the old material carted away, before it could be gravelled. Just east of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. bridge over this street, an iron sluice was put in and the roadbed turnpiked and gravelled.

Park Street was graded its entire length, and Seymour Street from Madison Avenue to the car barn, which was nearly all hand work.

The Berkshire Road, from just north of the old Glen house, was turnpiked nearly the entire length to the Lanesboro line, and covered with the best gravel obtainable in that part of the City.

Third Street, Pond Street and Silver Street were graded.

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The brush were cut on the Onota lake causeway, roadway widened and gravelled. New railing was also built for nearly its whole length.

The following roads were turnpiked, either for the whole or a part of their length: Gale Avenue, Barkerville Road, Junction Road, Benedict Road, Milton Road, East New Lenox Road, Hubbard Avenue, Holmes Road, Dawes Avenue, Crofut Street, West Housatonic Street, Daniels Avenue, Robbins Avenue, River Street, Briggs and Learned hills on West Street, Upper Lake Street, Dewey Road, Parker Avenue, Red House Road, Cascade Street, Smith Mountain Road, Elizabeth Street.

Streets gravelled for their entire length or a portion of it are as follows: Holmes Road, Broad Street, Wendell Avenue, Center Street, Hale Road, Pomeroy Avenue, Junction Road, Church Street, Weller Road, New West Street, West Street, Shaker Mill Road, Barkerville Road, Tillotson Road, which had about 300 loads of cinders on it early in the summer and was gravelled in the fall, Mr. Tillotson giving the gravel; Elizabeth Street, Hamlin Street, East Street, Maplewood avenue, South Street, Government Mill hill, First Street, Park Square, West Street, Third Street. Depot Street, John Street, Berkshire Road.

Railings have been erected on Water Street, the Onota Lake causeway, Peck's Road, Dalton Avenue, Old Dalton Road, West Housatonic Street at the Pomeroy bridge, Barkerville Road, and Pontoosuc Avenue; in all abaut 9,600 feet.

BRIDGES, SLUICES, PAVING, ETC.

The following bridge work has been done under my supervision: The small bridge across Churchill Brook was rebuilt, with new sleepers and plank.

The Taylor bridge on South Street had new sleepers and plank.

The Tillotson bridge, Hungerford bridge and the bridge on the Smith Mountain road were planked.

We have put in the following new catchbasins: Two on Peck's Road, two and one manhole near the Government Mill, one on Burbank Street, one on Tyler Street, one on Lake

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Street, two on Melville Street, one and one manhole on First Street, three and one manhole at the corner of North and Burbank Streets, one on Wahconah Street near Rosenhein's, one on Columbus Avenue, one on Adam Street, and one manhole at the corner of River and Alder Streets.

Following are the sluices which have been put in:

1 Hubbard Avenue, iron flue, 16 feet long.
1 Tyler Street, iron flue, 22 feet long.
3 Old Dalton Road, iron flue, 30 feet each.
1 Dawes Avenue, iron flue, 64 feet long.
1 Tillotson Road, iron pipe, 24 feet long.
1 Appleton Avenue, iron and wood, 25 feet long.
1 Cascade Street, iron flue, 20 feet long.
1 William Street, wood, 22 feet long.
1 Tyler Street, wood, 16 feet long.
1 Fourth Street, wood, 30 feet long.
2 Hancock road, iron flues, 20 and 22 feet long.
1 Gale Avenue, iron flue, 16 feet long.
1 Parker Avenue, wood, 26 feet long.
1 Gale Avenue, wood, 30 feet long.
1 Wahconah Street, iron pipe, 72 feet long, 16 inch.
1 William Street, wood, 22 feet long.

Paved gutters were laid on Union Street, Wendell Avenue, Third Street, Henry Avenue, Columbus Avenue, at the Govment Mill, North Street near the corner of Burbank, Wahconah Street at Rosehein's, Peck's Road, Alder Street and Seymour Street.

The repairs on the old Fire Department store house, which is now used as a tool house by the Water Department, consisted of raising the building, laying stone foundation, putting in new sills, laying new floor in main room and general repairs.

SURFACE DRAINAGE WORK.

At the Government Mlll we laid 413 feet of 15 inch Akron pipe, 26 feet 10 inch, and 12 feet 15 inch iron pipe.

At Adam street, 76½ feet 15 inch Akron.

At the corner of Burbank Street and North, 96 feet of 10 inch Akrons, and 88 feet of 8 inch.

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At the corner of First and Melville Streets, 56 feet of 8 inch Akron, 25 feet of 10 inch, and 144½ of 12 inch.

At Elm Street near John K. Strong's, 30 feet of 10 inch Akron.

At Elm Street from the junction of Newell to the river, 351 feet of 18 inch Akron, 48 feet of 20 inch iron.

At Columbus Avenue, near Robbins Avenue, 64 feet of 3 inch iron pipe, 48 feet of 6 inch Akron, 26 feet of 12 inch Akron, and 50 feet of 8 inch Akron.

TABLE OF EXPENDITURES.

The following table shows the expenditures under the highway appropriation, divided as accurately as possible:

Snow Roads,	$1,057 55
Surface Drainage,	412 66
Engineering,	742 70
Horse Hire, not work teams,	483 08
Gravel,	716 06
Patching teams,	2,151 25
Big Scraper Work,	444 19
Cleaning Streets,	1,700 80
Cutting and Trimming Trees,	336 89
Railings,	558 12
Tillotsen Road,	179 70
Milton Road,	25 51
Smith Mountain Road,	54 25
Parker Avenue,	28 24
William Street,	7 00
West Housatonic Street,	313 87
Mahanna Road,	131 25
Hancock Road,	29 25
Church Street,	40 00
New West Street,	61 50
Center Street,	87 50
Valentine Road,	11 50
John Street,	28 07
Broad Street,	92 87
Pomeroy Avenue,	214 87
Holmes Road,	68 25
Junction Road,	321 81
Reservoir Road,	38 50
Stearnsville Road,	76 50
Wendell Avenue,	60 62
Gale Avenue,	42 00
West Street,	735 18

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East New Lenox Road,	95 63
Hale Road,	84 67
King Street,	1 75
Sykes Mountain Road,	72 63
Berkshire Road,	150 59
Park Street,	165 27
Wahconah Street,	8 38
South Street,	57 09
Beaver Street,	21 98
First Street,	53 00
Hubbard Avenue,	19 25
Shaker Road,	222 13
Seymour Street,	236 26
Barkerville Road,	83 37
South Church Street,	4 38
Maplewood Avenue,	29 00
Elm Street,	513 70
Elizabeth Street,	63 27
Hamlin Street,	99 12
Causeway,	299 21
Summer Street,	13 63
Francis Avenue,	15 75
Government Mill Hill,	174 36
River Street,	6 25
Daniels Avenue,	17 50
Alder Street,	9 21
Tyler Street,	106 05
North Street,	175 35
Dalton Avenue,	42 02
Adam Street,	31 83
Dewey Road,	3 50
Charles Street,	27 01
Burbank Street,	14 25
Appleton Avenue,	21 15
East Street,	109 75
Pond Street,	7 87
Upper Lake Street,	15 75
Silver Street,	14 76
Street Signs,	301 85
Miscellaneous,	1,409 88
	$16,050 38

SUGGESTIONS.

North Street was macadamized in 1891, and it is now in very bad condition, rough and uncomfortable. I would suggest that steps be taken to have our principal business streets

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paved. There is so much travel upon them that macadam will not last very long at the best, and the keeping of gravel or dirt roads in condition in the center of the City is almost impossible. If North and West Streets could be paved the repair bills would be very small, and the streets would keep in good condition. I think it would be good economy for the City to pave these two streets as rapidly as possible.

The road from the Junction brldge northward to the railroad crossing near the old Merrill homestead, should be turnpiked and covered with a liberal coat of gravel. The Hale road, from a point near R. A. Rice's house westward to about 500 feet west of the Junction bridge, should be treated in like manner. Wahconah Street, north from the grist mill brldge northward to Peck's road, should have the surface scraped and covered with gravel. Onota Street, from Columbus Avenue north to the barn of the Cemetery corporation, ought to be gravelled and put in good condition.

LIST OF PROPERTY.

1 15 ton Steam Road Roller,
1 Street Sprinkler,
2 4-wheeled Dump Carts,
3 Dump Wheel Scrapers,
1 Street Hand Cart,
100 feet Lawn Hose,
2 Scythes and Snaths,
5 Plows,
1 Cross Cut Saw,
1 Iron tamp,
1 Level,
1 Funnel,
8 Scoops,
33 Picks,
6 Crow Bars,
1 Mall,
1 Hand Hammer,
13 Hoes,
1 Edge Cutter,
4 Pails,
1 Dipper,
60 feet ¾ inch Rope,
3 Drills,
5 Neck Yokes,
1 Portable Engine,
1 6 inch Centrifugal Pump,
4 Road Machines,
1 Hand Diaphram Pump,
1 Hand Barrow,
2 Brush Scythes,
2 Stoneboats,
1 Scraper Scoop,
1 Wagon Jack,
6 Wheelbarrows,
1 Catchbasin Shovel,
2 Striking Hammers,
3 Short Handle Shovels,
7 Mattocks,
1 Belt for Engine,
2 Ice Chisels,
3 Long Handle Hoes,
5 Iron Rakes,
1 Scraper Blade,
22 Lanterns,
60 feet ½ inch rope,
80 feet 1¼ inch Rope,
1 Tool Box,
7 Whiffletrees,

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2 Straight Edges,
1 Rim and 3 Grates,
1 8 inch Trap,
7 Trap Gates,
2 Large Catchbasins Stone,
8 Small Catchbasin Stone,
300 feet 6 inch Drain Tile,
60 Chestnut Posts,
1 Lot Old Bridge Plank,
1 10 inch Iron Pipe,
1 Heavy Iron Horse Road Roller,
4 Axes,
4 Catchbasin Tops,
5 10 inch Traps,
20 Sign Boards, "Private Way," etc.,
2 Large Catchbasin Sills,
4 Small Catchbasin Sills,
200 feet Akron Pipe, all sizes,
1 Lot Spruce Plank,
2 12 inch Iron Pipes,
90 Meal Bags,
1 Pair Extra Grates for Catchbasins.

Respectfully submitted,

JASON N. SHEPARDSON.

REPORT OF FOREMAN OF SIDEWALKS.

PITTSFIELD, MASS., January 1, 1897.

To the Honorable Board of Public Works.

The undersigned begs leave to present herewith a report of the work done in his department during the year 1896, together with lists of all the sidewalks and crosswalks in the City, inventory of tools, etc.

Following is a list of the new sidewalks laid during the year:

CONCRETE WALKS.

South Street, west side, from Gamwell & Linnehan's to Church Street.

First Street, east side, from B. & A. R. R. bridge to Burbank Street.

Second Street, east side, from Adam to Lincoln Streets.

Wendell Avenue, west side, from Taconic to Broad Streets.

West Housatonic Street, south side, from Elizabeth Street to Housatonic river bridge.

South Robbins Avenue, east side, from Division Street to Circular Avenue.

Pearl Street, west side, from Fenn to north line of Methodist church.

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Circular Avenue, east side, from Francis Avenne to South Robbins Avenue.

Francis Avenue, west side, from Columbus to Circular Avenue.

A small walk was laid at the rear of the City Hall from the walk to the back door, and also around the back of the new building to prevent water running in the cellar; 320 square feet in all.

GRAVEL WALKS.

Park Street, south side, from Wahconah to Seymour Street.

GRAVEL WALKS REPAIRED.

Peck's Road, from Wahconah Street to Peck's upper mill.

South Street, from Mrs. Redfield's driveway to Brock's north line.

Columbus Avenue, south side, from bridge to Maurice Feeley's east line.

Daniels Avenue, east side, from Bradford Street north 100 feet.

Onota Street, east side, from Linden Street south 150 feet.

Fourth Street, west side, from Union to Clough Streets, both side of flags.

There are a number of other places that were patched which are too small to mention.

There has been about $137.00 spent on patching concrete walks in places where sewers had gone through and the walks had settled.

South Street, west side, is nearly all worn out, it had to be patched a good deal.

North Street in front of the Academy block needed a good deal of patching. There ought to be a new walk built there the coming year.

NEW CURB.

North Street, west side, from American bridge to Martin Lane.

Southeast corner of Burbank and North Streets, 25 feet.

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CURB RELAID.

Melville Street, south side, from First Street west 66 feet.

NEW CROSSWALKS.

1 across West Street at Clapp Avenue, granite.
1 " North " Blatchford, "
1 " Summer " North Street, "
1 " North " Union " "
1 " Depot " Liberty " "
1 " North " School " "
1 " North " Kennedy & MacInnes, granite.
1 " West " McKay Street, "
1 " Dunham " Allen " "
1 " East Housatonic Street at Howard St., "
1 " North Street at American House bridge, "
1 " Morton Place at North Street, "
1 " Fourth Street at Fenn "
1 " Francis Avenue at Union "
1 " Union Street at Francis Avenue.
1 " Circular Avenue at Robbins Avenue.
1 " Robbins " Circular "
1 " Adams Street at Second Street.
1 " Maplewood Avenue at First Street.
1 " Bradford Street at Francis Avenue.
1 " Daniels Avenue at Bradford Street.
1 " Bradford Street at Daniels Avenue.
1 " Seymour " Madison "
1 " Division " Robbins "
1 " " " Circular "
1 " Robbins Avenue at " "
1 " West Street at River Street.
1 " Francis Avenue at Circular Avenue.
1 " " " Division Street.
1 " Linden Street at John "
1 " West " South John "
1 " Lincoln " Second "
1 " Maplewood Avenue at North Pearl Street.
1 " Onota Street at Columbus Avenue.

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CROSSWALKS RELAID.

1 across Bradford Street at Francis Avenue.
1 " East Housatonic Street at Bartlett Avenue.
1 " Second " Lincoln Street.
1 " East " Beaver "
1 " Burbank " North "

SURFACE DRAINS LAID.

Bradford Street Drain.

500 feet 30 inch iron pipe,
52 " 18 " Akron pipe,
38 " 15 " "
100 " 12 " "
92 " 8 " "
3 large Catchbasins were built,
4 small " "
3 Manholes "

Newell Street Drain.

48 feet 20 inch iron pipe.

Elm Street Drain—South of Tannery Bridge.

48 feet 16 inch iron pipe.

Circular Avenue Drain.

246 feet 8 inch Akron pipe,
1 small Catchbasin.

Wahconah Street Drain.

48 feet 20 inch iron pipe at the Fair Ground,
Gate to carry the water across the street,
48 feet 20 inch iron pipe, about 200 feet north,
48 " 20 " " north end of Bel Air Pond.

Wahconah Street Drain—at Rosenhein's Store.

1 large Catchbasin was built with two extensions, and
48 feet 16 inch iron pipe to carry it to the river.

Peck's Road Drain.

2 large Catchbasins,
145 feet 18 inch Akron pipe,
32 " 15 " "

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West Housatonic Street Drain—Pomeroy Bridge.

2 large Catchbasins,
40 feet 15 inch Akron pipe.

CENTER STREET SEWER.

6 Manholes were built, the sewers were cleaned out twice.

BICYCLE PATH

There were $1\frac{1}{10}$ miles of Bicycle Path built from the Junction bridge to the old Glen House, and $254.96 was expended to do the work.

PARK AND COMMON.

The Park in front of the City Hall, and the Common on First Street, have had thier uusal care. During the summer $258.67 have been expended on them. They were fertilized in the spring. The grass on the Common has been cut four times, and the walks hoed out twice. The Park has been mowed every week and the walks scraped. The walks through the Common are in very bad shape, and they ought to be graded in the spring.

TRIMMING TREES

There was quite a good deal of work done on trees the past year, $326.16 being expended to do the work. There is a number of dead trees standing that ought to be cut. We had to stop as we had no more money. At least $300.00 ought to be appropriated to do the work the coming year.

LIST OF SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY.

Adam Street, north side, concrete.

Adam Street, south side, gravel from First Street to A. P. Merrill's west line; flag to A. P. Merrill's east line; gravel to Second Street.

Alder Street, north side, gravel from Seymour Street to Mrs. Schale's west line.

Alder Street, south side, gravel from Seymour Street to Chas. Callet's west line.

Allen Street, east side, concrete

Allen Street, west side, concrete from East to School Street.

Appleton Avenue, east side, concrete from East Street to Harrison's south line.

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Appleton Avenue, west side, gravel.

Bank Row, south side, concrete.

Bartlett Avenue, both sides, concrete.

Beaver Street. east side, gravel from East Street to William O'Connell's, gravel from Brady's to Whipple's, concrete from Whipple's to East Street.

Beaver Street, west side, gravel from East Street to Mrs. Sternes' north line.

Bradford Street, both sides, concrete from North to Francis Avenue, gravel to River Street.

Broad Street, north side, gravel.

Broad Street, south side, gravel from Pomeroy Avenue to W. H. Teeling's.

Brown Street, west side, gravel.

Buel Street, north side, concrete.

Buel Street, south side, gravel from Mrs. Hurlbut's east line to Elizabeth Street.

Burbank Street, north side, gravel from North to Spring Street.

Burbank Street, south side, gravel from North to Winter Street.

Center Street, west side, gravel.

Center Street, east side, concrete from West Housatonic to South Church Street, gravel to West Street.

Cherry Street, west side, gravel from Lincoln Street to R. P. Purdy's north line.

Church Street, south side, concrete from South to Goodrich Street, gravel to White's green house.

Church Street, north side, concrete from South to Goodrich Street.

Circular Avenue, east side, concrete.

Circular Avenue, west side gravel.

Clapp Avenue, both sides, concrete.

Clinton Avenue, both sides, concrete.

Clough Street, north side, gravel from North Street to Matthews' house.

Clough Street, south side, gravel from North to Seymour Street, from Francis Avenue to River Street.

Columbus Avenue, north side, concrete from North Street to

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new part[of American house, flags to Bridges' stable, concrete to Dodge & Devanny's, flags to Francis Avenue, gravel to M. Nilan's east line, concrete to M. Nilan's west line, gravel to Daniels Avenue, concrete to Gimlich & White's.

Coltmbus Avenue, south side, gravel from North Street to Mrs. Morris Feeley's west line, concrete from John to Onota Street.

Cottage Row, south side, concrete from North Street to east line of Eagle building, gravel to First Street.

Cottage Row, north side, gravel.

Curtis Street, both sides, gravel.

Daniels Avenue, both sides, gravel from Columbus Avenue to Clough Street.

Dawes Avenue, north side, gravel from Howard Street to Appleton Avenue.

Depot Street, both sides, concrete.

Division Street, north side, gravel from Robbins to Circular Avenue.

Division Street, south side, gravel from Francis Avenue to River Street.

Dunham street, north side, flags from North Street, to east line of Brown's block, gravel to Fenn Street.

Dunham Street, south side, gravel from North Street to Mrs. Kellogg's west line, brick to Allen, concrete to Fenn Street.

East Street, both sides, concrete.

East Housatonic Street, both sides, concrete from South Street to Appleton Avenue.

Elizabeth Street, east side, gravel from West Housatonic Street to Henry Avenue, concrete to Buel Street.

Elizabeth Street, west side, gravel from Housatonic Street to Henry Avenue, concrete to Buel Street.

Elm Street, north side, concrete from East to Newell, gravel to Middle Street.

Fenn Street, both sides, concrete from North to Fourth, gravel to Beaver Street.

First Street, west side, concrete from Fenn to Tyler Street.

First Street, east side, gravel from Fenn Street to B. & A. bridge, concrete to Burbank, gravel to North Street.

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Fourth Street, west side, gravel from Fenn Street to school house north line, from Tillotson mill to B. & A. bridge.

Fourth Street, east side, gravel from Fenn Street to B. & A. bridge, concrete from Casey & Bacon's to Curtis Street.

Francis Avenue, east side, concrete from West Street to Columbus Avenue, flags to C. W. Wright's north line, concrete to Linden, gravel to Clough Street.

Francis Avenue, west side, gravel from West Street to Circular Avenue, concrete to Columbus Avenue, gravel to Samuel Dodge's south line, flags to Samuel Dodge's north line, gravel to Alder Street.

Goodrich Street, east side, concrete.

Goodrich Street, west side, gravel.

Hamlin Street, both sides, concrete.

Harris Street, both sides, gravel, private.

Hayes Place, west side, gravel, private.

Henry Street, both sides, concrete from South to Elizabeth, gravel to Housatonic Street.

Howard Street, west side, concrete from Housatonic Street to Dawes Avenue.

Howard Street, east side, concrete from Housatonic Street to Dawes Avenue, gravel to Pomeroy Avenue.

John Street west side, gravel from Columbus Avenue to Linden Street.

John Street. east side, gravel from Columbus Avenue to Gilbert Street, from Monroe to Linden Street.

Junction south side, gravel from Van Buren store to Beaver Street.

Kent Avenue, north side, gravel from North Street, to G. A. Booth block, concrete to Seymour Street.

Lake Street, north side, gravel from Second to Fourth Street.

Lake Street, south side, gravel from Second to Third Street.

Lincoln Street, north side, concrete from First to Fourth Street.

Lincoln Street, south side, gravel from First to Fourth Street.

Lincoln Street, north side, concrete from North to River Street, gravel to Onota Street.

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Lincoln Street, south side, concrete from North to Robbins Avenue, gravel to John Street.

Maplewood Avenue, both sides, concrete.

Market Street, south side, gravel.

Maud Street, both sides, gravel.

McKay Street, west side, concrete to Wm. Byrnes.

Melville Street, north side, concrete.

Melville Street, south side, gravel.

Myrtle Street, both sides, gravel from Tyler to Stoddard Avenue.

Newell Street, both sides, gravel from Elm to Meadow Lane.

New West Street, north side, gravel.

North Street, east side, concrete from Park Place to north line of England block, flags to south line of Wollison block, concrete to Stoddard Avenue, gravel to Springside Avenue.

North Street, west side, concrete from West Street to Burbank Avenue flags to Market Street, concrete to Columbus Avenue, flags to Summer Street, concrete to Union Street, flags to Clough Street, concrete to Wahconah Street, gravel to Weller Avenue, gravel from Dumont to Wahconah Street.

North Pearl Street, east side, gravel.

Northrup Street, both sides, gravel, private.

Onota Street, east side, gravel from West Street to South Avenue.

Onota Street, west side, gravel from Warner Street to Lake Avenue.

Orchard Street, south side, concrete from North to First Street, gravel to Second Street.

Orchard Street, north side, gravel from North to First Street, concrete to Second Street.

Park Street, south side, gravel.

Park Place, concrete from North to Allen Street.

Park Square, small piece on west end concrete, the rest gravel.

Pearl Street, east side, gravel.

Pearl Street, west side, concrete from Fenn to north line of Methodist church, gravel to Cottage Row.

Peck's Road, south side, gravel from Wahconah Street to Peck's Upper Mill.

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Pleasant Street, west side, gravel.

Pomeroy Avenue, east side, concrete from East Street to Thomas Scully, gravel to Howard Street.

Pomeroy Avenue, west side, concrete from East to East Housatonic Street, gravel to Broad Street.

Pond Street, south side, gravel.

Pontoosuc Avenue, south side, gravel from Wahconah Street to second bridge, plank to Richmond Avenue.

Prospect Street, both sides, gravel.

Reed Street, both sides, concrete.

Renne Avenue, east side, concrete from Fenn to North line of Methodist church, gravel to Cottage Row.

River Street, east side, gravel from West to Clough Street.

River Street, west side, gravel from West Street to Columbus Avenue, concrete to Linden Street, gravel to Clough.

Robbins Avenue, east side, concrete from Circular Avenue to Circular Avenue, gravel to Clough Street.

Robbins Avenue, west side, gravel from Circular Avenue to Clough Street.

School Street, both sides, concrete.

Second Street, west side, concrete from Fenn to Pond Street, gravel to B. & A. bridge, concrete to Burbank Street.

Second Street, east side, concrete from East to Fenn Street, gravel to B. & A. bridge, concrete to Lincoln Street, gravel to Burbank Street.

Seymour Street, east side, concrete from Linden to Park Street.

Seymour Street, west side, granite from Linden Street to Kent Avenue.

Silver Street, both sides, gravel.

South Street, west side, concrete from West to Carter's north line, flags to Carter's south line, concrete to Mrs. Redfield's driveway, gravel to Brock's south line.

South Street, east side, concrete from Bank Row to south line of High School lot, gravel to Crofut Street.

South Church Street, south side, concrete from Goodrich to Center Street, gravel to clock shop.

South Church Street, north side, gravel from Goodrich to B. & A. R. R.

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South John Street, east side, gravel from Columbus Avenue to West Street.

Spring Street, both sides, gravel from Burbank to Maple Street.

Stoddard Avenue, both sides, gravel from North to Myrtle Street.

Summer Street, north side, flags.

Summer Street, south side, concrete.

Taconic Street, north side, concrete from South to Wendell Avenue, gravel to Learned's Lane.

Taconic Street, south side, gravel from South to Wendell Avenue.

Third Street, west side, concrete.

Third Street, east side, gravel.

Tyler Street, north side, gravel from North to Myrtle Street, gravel from corner Burbank and Tyler Streets to water-tub.

Tyler Street, south side, gravel from North Street to Mrs. Robbins east line, and from Burbank Street to water-tub.

Union Street, north side, concrete from North Street to Francis Avenue, gravel to Daniels Avenue

Union Street, south side, concrete to Francis Avenue, gravel to Daniels Avenue.

Wahconah Street, west side, concrete from North Street to grist mill, gravel to Peck's Road.

Wahconah Street, east side, concrete from grist mill, to Max Vogel north line, gravel to Bel Air bridge.

Wellington Avenue, east side, gravel.

Wellington Avenue, west side, concrete from Hamlin to Maplewood Avenue, gravel to Orchard Street.

Wendell Avenue, east side, concrete from East to East Housatonic Streets, gravel to Broad Street.

Wendell Avenue, west side, concrete from East to Broad Streets.

West Street, north side, concrete from North Street to B. & A. Depot, gravel from Housatonic River Bridge to John Street.

West Street, south side, concrete from South Street to Russell Livery, gravel to Center Street, concrete to B. & A. R. R., gravel from foot bridge to Charles Burbank's house.

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West Housatonic Street, south side, concrete from South Street to River Street bridge, gravel from Hungerford shop to Dunlap's, South Street line.

West Housatonic Street, north side, concrete from South Street to River Street bridge, gravel to Hungerford shop and from Dunlap's to Roberts'.

West Union Street, both sides gravel.

Willis Street, both sides concrete.

Winter Street, west side gravel.

Worthington Street, solid gravel from Center Street to Worthington Place.

LIST OF CROSSWALKS IN THE CITY AT THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR 1896.

Across South Street, at Mrs. Redfield's.
" South Street, at Buel Street.
" Buel Street, at South Street.
" Broad Street, at South Street.
" Henry Avenue, at South Street.
" South Street, near Henry Avenue.
" Clinton Avenue, at South Street.
" Reed Street, at South Street.
" South Street, at Reed Street.
" Taconic Street, at South Street.
" West Housatonic Street, at South Street.
" East Housatonic Street, at South Street.
" South Street, at Housatonic Street.
" South Street, at Church Street.
" Church Street, at South Street.
" South Street, at Bank Row.
" Bank Row at South Street.
" West Street, at South Street.
" East Street, at North Street.
" North Street, at P. O. to Park.
" North Street, at East Street.
" North Street, at Blatchford's.
" North Street, at School Street.
" School Street, at North Street.
" Burbank Avenue, at North Street.

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Across North Street, at Market Street.
" Market Street, at North Street.
" Dunham Street, at North Street
" Fenn Street, at North Street
" Depot Street, at North Street.
" North Street, at Fenn Street.
" North Street, at the Academy.
" Columbus Avenue, at North Street.
" Cottage Row, at North Street.
" North Street, at Whelden's.
" North Street, at Summer Street.
" Summer Street, at North Street.
" Melville Street, at North Street.
" North Street, at Melville Street.
" Union Street, at North Street.
" Bradford Street, at North Street.
" North Street, at Bradford Street.
" North Street, at Unity church.
" North Street, at Maplewood Avenue.
" Maplewood Avenue, at North Street.
" Linden Street, at North Street.
" Madison Avenue, at North Street.
" North Street at Madison Avenue.
" Orchard Street, at North Street.
" North Street, at Orchard Street.
" Kent Avenue, at North Street.
" Burbank Street, at North Street.
" Tyler Street, at North Street.
" North Street, at King's store.
" Park Street, at Wahconah Street.
" Seymour Street, at Wahconah Street.
" Wahconah Street, at Briggs Avenue.
" Peck's Road, at Wahconah Street.
" Wahconah Street, at Pontoosuc Avenue.
" Liberty Street, at Depot Street.
" McKay Street, at Depot Street.
" McKay Street, at Market Street.
" Clapp Avenue, at Guilds'.
Two from B. & A. Depot to Burbank Hotel.

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Across West Street to Burbank Hotel.
" West Street to Rice bottling works.
" Center Street, at West Street.
" Clapp Avenue, at West Street.
" West Street, at Center Street.
" West Street, at Clapp Avenue.
" McKay Street, at West Street.
" West Street, at American Express office.
" Allen Street, at East Street.
" East Street, at Allen Street.
" Bank Row, at East Street.
" Wendell Avenue, at East Street.
" First Street, at East Street.
" Bartlett Avenue, at East Street.
" East Street, at Bartlett Avenue.
" Willis Street, at East Street.
" Pomeroy Avenue, at East Street.
" East Street, at Pomeroy Avenue.
" Second Street, at East Street.
" Appleton Avenue, at East Street.
" East Street, at Appleton Avenue.
" Brown's Lane, at East Street.
" Beaver Street, at East Street.
" East Street, at Beaver Street.
" From Brown's Lane, to Elm Street.
" Root Place, at Elm Street.
" Newell Street, at Elm Street.
" Elm Street, at Holmes Road.
" First Street, at Lutheran Church.
" First Street, at Cottage Row.
" Cottage Row, at First Street.
" Cottage Row, at Pearl Street.
" Melville Street, at First Street.
Two " Pearl Street, at Melville Street.
" First Street, at Melville Street.
" First Street, at Adam Street.
" Adam Street, at First Street.
" First Street, at Hamlin Street.
" Hamlin Street, at First Street.

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Across Maplewood Avenue, at First Street.
Two " First Street at Maplewood Avenue.
" Pearl Street, at Maplewood Avenue.
" Wellington Avenue, at Maplewood Avenue.
" Wellington Avenue, at Hamlin Street.
" Wellington Avenue, at Lincoln Street.
" First Street, at Lincoln Street.
" Lincoln Street, at First Street.
" Maud Street, at First Street.
" First Street, at Maud Street.
" First Street, at Orchard Street.
" Orchard Street at First Street.
" Burbank Street, at First Street.
" First Street, at Burbank Street.
" Burbank Street, at Second Street.
" Burbank Street, at Spring Street.
" Orchard Street, at Second Street.
" Lincoln Street, at Second Street.
" Second Street, at Lincoln Street.
" Cherry Street, at Lincoln Street.
" Fourth Street, at Lincoln Street.
" Curtis Street, at Winter Street.
" Second Street, at Hamlin Street.
" Hamlin Street, at Second Street.
" Second Street, at Lake Street.
" Second Street, at Silver Street.
" Lake Street, at Fourth Street.
" Fenn Street at Renne Avenue.
" Renne Avenue, at Fenn Street.
" Dunham Street, at Fenn Street.
" Pearl Street, at Fenn Street.
" Fenn Street, at Pearl Street.
" Fenn Street, at First Street.
" First Street, at Fenn Street.
" Willis Street, at Fenn Street.
" Fenn Street, at Willis Street.
" Fenn Street, at Second Street.
" Second Street, at Fenn Street.
" Third Street, at Fenn Street.

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Across Fenn Street, at Third Street.
" Fenn Street, at Fourth Street.
" Fenn Street, at Beaver Street.
" Beaver Street, at Fenn Street.
" Beaver Street, north of bridge.
" Beaver Street, south of water tub.
Two at Junction, near school-house.
Across Appleton Avenue, at East Housatonic Street.
" Howard Street, at East Housatonic Street.
" East Housatonic Street, at Howard Street.
Two " East Housatonic Street, at Pomeroy Avenue.
Two " Pomeroy Avenue, at East Housatonic Street.
" Pomeroy Avenue, at C. H. Brown's Block.
" Pomeroy Avenue, at Broad Street.
" Broad Street, at Teeling house.
" Bartlett Avenue, at East Housatonic Street.
" East Housatonic Street, at Bartlett Avenue.
" Learned's Lane, at East Housatonic Street.
Two " Wendell Avenue, at East Housatonic Street.
Two " East Housatonic Street, at Wendell Avenue.
" Wendell Avenue, at Wendell Hall.
" Second Street, at Holland's block.
" Taconic Street, at Wendell Avenue.
" Elizabeth Street, at Buel Street.
" Elizabeth Street, at Henry Avenue.
" Elizabeth Street, at Reed Street.
" Center Street, at West Housatonic Street.
" West Housatonic Street, at Center Street.
" West Housatonic Street, at Mrs. Power's house.
" Center Street, at South Church Street.
" South Church Street, at Center Street.
" Church Street, at Center Street.
" South Church Street, at Clock shop.
" Clock Street, at Clock shop.
" New West and Church Streets, at White's greenhouse.
" New West Street, at West Street.
" West Street, at New West Street.
" Division Street, at Robbins Avenue.

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Across Robbins Avenue, at Division Street.
" Circular Avenue, at Robbins Avenue.
" Columbus Avenue, at John Street.
" John Street at Columbus Avenue.
" River Street at Columbus Avenue.
" Columbus Avenue, at River Street.
" Columbus Avenue, at Robbins Avenue.
" Robbins Avenue, at Columbus Avenue.
Two " Daniels Avenue, at Columbus Avenue.
Two " Francis Avenue, at Columbus Avenue.
" Columbus Avenue, at Francis Avenue.
" Columbus Avenue, at Shirt shop.
" Columbus Avenue, at Harrison's store.
" Columbus Avenue, at C. C. Gamwell's.
" Summer Street, at Bedell's house.
" Summer Street, at Francis Avenue.
" Francis Avenue, at Summer Street.
" Francis Avenue, at Union Street.
" Union Street, at Francis Avenue.
" Union Street, at England's house.
" Northrup Street, at Union Street.
" Union Street, at Northrup Street.
" Northrup Street, at Bradford Street.
" Bradford Street, at Powell's house.
Two " Francis Avenue, at Bradford Street.
" Bradford Street, at Francis Avenue.
Two " Linden Street, at Francis Avenue.
Two " Francis Avenue, at Linden Street.
" Madison Avenue, at Francis Avenue.
" Linden Street, at Seymour Street.
" Seymour Street, at Linden Street.
" Kent Avenue, at Seymour Street.
Two " Daniels Avenue, at Linden Street.
" Linden Street, at Daniels Avenue.
" Daniels Avenue, at Bradford Street.
" Daniels Avenue, at Union Street.
" Union Street, at Daniels Avenue.
" Prospect Street, at Daniels Avenue.
" Robbins Avenue, at Linden Street.

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Across Linden Street, at Robbins Avenue.
" Robbins Avenue, at Madison Avenue.
" River Street, at Prospect Street.
" River Street, at West Street.
" North Street, at Union Street.
" Depot Street, at Liberty Street.
" West Street, at McKay Street.
" Dunham Street, at Allen Street.
" North Street, at American House bridge.
" Morton Place, at North Street.
" Fourth Street at Fenn Street.
" Francis Avenue, at Union Street.
" Union Street, at Francis Avenue.
" Circular Avenue, at Robbins Avenue.
" Robbins Avenue, at Circular Avenue.
" Adam Street, at Second Street.
" Maplewood Avenue, at First Street.
" Bradford Street, at Francis Avenue.
" Daniels Avenue, at Bradford Street.
" Bradford Street, at Daniels Avenue.
" Seymour Street, at Madison Avenue.
" Division Street, at Robbins Avenue.
" Division Street, at Circular Avenue.
" Robbins Avenue, at Circular Avenue.
" West Street, at River Street.
" Francis Avenue, at Circular Avenue.
" Francis Avenue, at Division Street.
" Linden Street, at John Street.
" West Street, at South John Street.
" Lincoln Street, at Second Street.
" Maplewood Avenue, at North Pearl Street.
" Onota Street, at Columbus Avenue.

The following are lists of supplies and tools which were in my department on the 1st of January, 1897:

SUPPLIES.

32 bbls. Tar,
3 bbls. Asphalt,
5 loads Fine Gravel,
2 bbls. Rosendale Cement,
68 empty Tar barrels,
20 loads Coarse Stone for concreting,
1 Set Granite Steps,

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5 Marble Steps,
70 feet Blue Sidewalk Flags,
10 feet Sykes' Crosswalk Stone,
3 pr. 4-in. Belgian Bridge Corners,
4 pair 4-inch Blue Curves.
7 feet 4-inch Granite Curb,
80 feet Slate Flags,
3 pair 6-inch Granite Curves,
4 pair 4-inch Granite Corners,

TOOLS AND IMPLEMENTS.

2 Tar Kettles,
3 Screens,
1 Hot Roller,
1 Stone Roller,
1 Measuring Box,
3 Galvanized Pails,
1 Wire Broom,
1 Scraper,
1 Stoneboat,
9 Malls,
1 Tool Box,
1 Plough,
1 Scraper, Iron,
1 40-foot Extension Ladder,
1 15-foot Extension Ladder
100 feet ¾ inch Rope,
50 feet ¾ inch Hose,
1 Gorden Wheelbarrow,
1 Spoon Shovel,
23 long handled Shovels, round,
5 short " " square,
6 Spades,
1 Lot ¾-inch Tackle Blocks,
3 Iron Tamping Bars,
8 Crowbars,
4 Chains,
1 Whiffletree,
1 Sledge Hammer,
1 Small Stone Hammer,
1 Heavy Chisel to cut pipe,
3 Grub Axes,
2 Pruning Saws,
6 Morter Hoes,
2 Scythes and Snaths,
1 ⅞-inch Auger,
1 Square,
2 Burning Brands,
10 Lanterns,
1 lb. Powder,
3 Levels,
2 Handles to carry kettles,
6 Wheelbarrows,
1 Iron Roller,
1 Hand Line,
2 Tar Pails,
2 Water Pails,
1 Smoothing Iron,
2 Dippers,
9 Iron Rakes,
2 Driving Caps,
1 Vise,
1 Snow Plough,
1 Scraper, Wood,
1 25-foot Extension Ladder,
100 feet 1½ inch Rope,
200 feet ½ inch Rope,
1 Cant Hook,
12 Snow Shovels,
2 long handled Shovels, square,
2 short " " round,
2 Scoops,
3 Ice Chisels,
3 Axes,
1 Wooden Tamper,
3 Sod Cutters,
1 Plank Puller,
2 Striking Hammers,
2 Hand Hammers,
1 Nail Hammer,
17 Picks and Handles,
2 Hand Saws,
5 Small Hoes,
2 Fire Shovels,
1 Straight Edge,
1 Bit Stock,
2 Hydrant Wrenches,
1 Monkey Wrench,
3 Oil Cans,
10 feet Fuse,
1 100-foot Tape, cloth,

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1 25-foot Tape, steel,
2 Trowels,
1 Pitching Tool,
2 Paving Hammers,
5 1-inch Drills,
1 Spoon,
32 Park Seats.
2 Balls Twine,
11 Points,
1 Prick Punch,
1 Sledge Handle,
5 ½-inch Drills,
12 Iron Pins,

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. BILADEAU.

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INVENTORY OF TOOLS AND MATERIALS IN THE SEWER DEPARTMENT.

300 feet Hose,
25 feet ¾-inch Rope,
300 feet 1-inch Rope,
2 Crowbars,
1 Adz,
1 Monkey Wrench,
1 Reducer,
5 Lanterns,
1 Point,
1 20-inch Iron Scraper,
11 Followers,
1 Plumb Bob,
10 feet Fuse,
2 Hand Saws,
1 Sledge Hammer,
1 Brick Sling,
8 Picks and Handles,
1 Tamper,
1 Iron Mall,
1 Hatchet,
1 Hand Cart,
1 Stone Pick.

75 feet 1½-inch Rope,
50 feet 1¼-inch Rope,
400 feet Gas Pipe,
1 Axe,
1 Gate Wrench,
1 Hydrant Wrench,
1 Level,
3 Chisels,
1 Iron Wedge,
1 18-inch Iron Scraper,
1 Small Boat for use in trunk sewers,
1 Oil Can,
28 Short Handle Shovels,
1 Paint Brush,
1 Nail Hammer,
1 Wooden Pail,
1 Wooden Mall,
4 Driving Caps,
1 Chain,
1 Chisel for Cutting Pipe,

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REPORT

OF THE

Chief Engineer

OF THE

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To His Honor the Mayor, and Gentlemen of the City Council:

I herewith submit to you my first annual report of the Pittsfield Fire Department, together with the fire losses, amount of insurance on same, with the amounts paid, and as far as possible the causes of each fire; also a full account of all expenditures and an inventory of all property in charge of the department.

There has been, as far as learned, 33 fires since February first, the department having answered box alarms to 15 fires, and 6 still alarms responded to by Protectives and other apparatus, without calling out the whole department, and 12 fires where the department was not called. The department responded to one call for aid outside the City. The town of Lanesboro called for help and the response was answered by one steamer and hose. The expense they fully paid.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department consists of 3 Steam Engines, 1 Hand Engine (to be located at Stearnsville, or in that locality) 2 Hook and Ladder Trucks, 7 Hose Carts and one Protective Wagon, distributed as follows:

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Engine Co. No. 1.—1 fourth-class Clapp & Jones engine, 1 two-wheeled Hose Cart.

Engine Co. No. 2.—1 fourth-class Clapp & Jones engine, 1 two-wheeled Hose Cart. At Central Station.

Engine Co. No. 3.—1 third-class Silsby engine, 1 four-wheeled Hose Cart. At No. 3 Engine House, North Street.

Hook and Ladder Co.—1 Gleason & Bailey truck, fully equipped, and now used in the main portion of the City, where long and heavy ladders are required; 1 Hook and Ladder truck that has been entirely rebuilt and in first-class condition, fully equipped with necessary ladders and other appliances; it being much lighter, it is used for all fires on first alarm.

Protective Co. No. 1.—1 wagon fully equipped with fire extinguisher, rubber and canvas covers, ropes, brooms and necesssary tools required for their purposes of protecting goods at fires. At the Central Station.

Alert Hose No. 4.—1 two-wheeled hose cart, which is entirely too light to carry five hundred feet of hose safely, at D. Rosenhein's barn, on Wahconah Street. One hand engine, now in process of repair, to be placed at a location to be determined, somewhere in the vicinity of Stearnsville. 1 two-wheeled hose cart, capable of carrying five hundred feet of hose, to be placed at the same location as the hand engine at Stearnsville. One two-wheeled hose cart at Morningside.

The above apparatus is all in first-class order. The two Clapp & Jones steamers, although in size smaller than our city ought to have for the protection of its business center, are capable of doing some very hard service if occasion requires. They have both been carefully looked over and found in every way to be in first-class condition. The Silsby (No. 3) engine is now at the factory, being rebuilt with an entirely new boiler, and to be fully overhauled, and will return equally as good as an entirely new engine, and its capacity for service will be greatly increased by the boiler being one size larger than the original, which will give it much better steaming facilities.

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Hook and Ladder No. 1 having been entirely rebuilt, the running gear being entirely new and better adapted for our streets for the present time. New ladders have been substituted, and it is every way capable of serving the city for many years to come, as it is very much lighter than the other truck, and is used entirely on all first alarms. The other truck is in good condition and can be gotten out very quickly when needed.

Hose No. 5 having been rebuilt and put in condition to be drawn by two horses and with accommodations for six men to ride to fires. As it carries one thousand feet of hose, it is used by Companies 1 and 2 to respond to all alarms, and manned by the company who is on duty at that time.

The Hose 4 hose cart is in good condition, but not adapted for the services required of it.

FIRE ALARM.

Very much has been done to this particular branch of the department. A new six circuit repeater, with all the necessary appurtenances connected with it; a new storage battery, doing away entirely with the unreliable acid batteries; a new cable has been placed on North and South Streets, fully protecting our wires from any interference from the many other electric wires that line our streets. New wires have been strung in localities where it was necessary to change from the original two circuit to the new six circuit system. Much of the old wire that was put up when the alarm was first constructed, about thirteen years ago, has been replaced by new, and in all instances the fire alarm wires have been placed above all other wires where new work has been done. Four new boxes have been added this year—one on Onota Street, one on South Street, one at the House of Mercy and one at the Home for Aged Women. A new combination indicator and gong has been placed at the Electric Light Station, giving them better facilities for promptly and correctly blowing the whistle. All boxes have been provided with key guards, whereby the keys are always in the lock, avoiding any delay that might occur from parties not being able to locate a key

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when needed. The alarm boxes have all been carefully inspected by the Gamwell Co., and put in perfect working order.

HOSE.

We have at present in the department for fire service 6850 feet of hose that is in suitable condition, and 1000 feet that can be used where only a hydrant stream is needed. A large portion of this hose has been in use for some little time, the date of purchase being unable to determine, and occasions have occurred this year where it was necessary to reel partially wet hose on the carts, as all our hose had been in use and not dry enough to put away.

HORSES

The department has purchased the past year three horses, one single horse to do the work necessary on the fire alarm when trouble occurs, also for the use of the Chief at fires and on still alarms, where it is not necessary to have more than an extinguisher.

A large pair of horses was purchased to better handle the Steamer or heavy pieces of apparatus, as the horses furnished by the livery stables are in most instances too light when our roads are heavy and blocked with snow. The rest of the apparatus is still drawn by horses furnished by the livery stables.

The department has also purchased a Chief's wagon, together with the suitable swinging harness and hangers.

DEPARTMENT HOUSES.

The Central Engine House is in good condition, several necessary repairs having been made, the original boiler placed in the cellar having been disposed of and a new one instituted, the chimney having been built higher to obtain suitable draught. A new hot water heater has also been placed in the cellar to provide at all times hot water for the bath rooms. Several new wardrobes and cupboards have been purchased.

No. 3 Engine House is in good condition, having been entirely repainted and the steam heating boiler repaired.

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FORCE OF THE DEPARTMENT.

The force of the department consists of one Chief, three assistants, one steward of department and 75 men.

Each Engine Company, Protective Company and Hook and Ladder company, 15 men each.

Engine Companies 1, 2 and 3 each having 5 bunkers.
Hook and Ladder Company, " 3 "
Protective Company, " 2 "

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The following recommendations and purchases I should make for the coming year, that not less than 2000 feet of hose be purchased, as that will not cover the amount that is fast growing old and unreliable for severe fire service.

That twenty-five covers be purchased for the Protective Company. A fire occurring over any of our large stores on the street, their present covers would be insufficient to protect the stock of any one store.

That the remainder of the Fire Alarm wire that has by age become unreliable, be entirely rebuilt, and that at least six new Fire Alarm boxes be added during the year.

That a suitable stable be constructed on the east side of Central Station with a capacity for the accommodation of five horses, and to be added to when occasion requires.

That an entrance to the present hose tower be built, as the hose tower in the Central Station is in no way adapted at present for the suitable drying of hose, and quite an expenditure would be necessary to put it in serviceable condition.

That a new Hose Cart and suitable quarters be established near the junction of Wahconah street and Peck's Road for better protection of that portion of the city. Also that a suitable Hose Cart and quarters be established at Morningside, as with the numerous hydrants in that vicinity much of the property could be protected until the arrival of the department.

That the tanks that have been abandoned this year be replaced or rebuilt as the occasion may require, more particularly the one near the Academy of Music.

That a combination Chemical Engine and Hose Wagon be purchased, also one pair of regular Fire Department horses for

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same, with the suitable swinging harnesses. With this purchase it will be necessary to have three men constantly on duty. The reports from cities using these engines are that they attend to between 65 and 80 per cent of all the fires and save in many instances a large water loss.

That as fast as practicable more horses be added to the department as the city is fast spreading out and new buildings being constructed, most of which are wood. It is necessary in case of fire that our hose carts at least arrive on the ground as soon as possible, and I should advise the purchase of a suitable hose wagon and horse stationed at No. 3 Engine House, also one at the Central Engine Station.

That suitable heater and connections be placed at Central Station to at all times keep hot water in the boilers of the steamers.

In conclusion, I wish to heartily thank His Honor the Mayor and all the officers of the City Government, and especially the Fire Department Committee, by whose untiring effort it has been possible to accomplish so many needed improvements, to the Chief of Police and his officers for the efficient help they have rendered at fires, and to the Board of Engineers and members of the department in general, who have all endeavored to so fully aid in making the department a success.

Respectfully,

W. F. Francis,
Chief of the Department.

MANUAL FORCE OF THE DEPARTMENT.

W. F. Francis, Chief Engineer; John J. Powers, First Assistant Engineer; George H. Frey, Second Assistant Engineer; John Howison, Third Assistant Engineer; Bartley Cummings, Jr., Steward.

Engine Co., No. 1.—Foreman, F. X. Z. Poitras; 1st. Assistant Foreman, R. J. Steele; 2d. Assistant Foreman, W. H. Stone; Clerk, J. J. Parker and 11 men.

Engine Co., No. 2.—Foreman, F. J. Clark; 1st. Assistant Foreman, George H. Putnam; 2d. Assistant Foreman, Charles Lombard; Clerk, George H. Clark, Jr., and 11 men.

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ENGINE Co., No. 3.—Foreman, E. F. Fahey; 1st. Assistant Foreman, J. Ragan; 2d. Assistant Foreman, M. Marshall; Clerk D. O'Neil, and 11 men.

HOOK AND LADDER Co., No. 1 —Foreman, W. H. McCarry; 1st. Assistant Foreman, R. S. Noyes; 2d. Assistant Foreman, R. B. Powell; Clerk, Z. G. Williams, and 11 men.

PROTECTIVE Co., No. 1.—Foreman, R. K. Willard; 1st. Assistant Foreman, D. England; 2d. Assistant Foreman, E. J. Spall; Clerk, W. S. Kells, and 11 men.

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY, CENTRAL STATION.

1 Large Toal Chest,	10 00	2 Small Tool Chests,	$ 5 00
3 Hand Saws,	1 00	1 Hatchet,	50
2 Nail Hammers,	50	1 Mallet,	25
5 Chisels,	1 00	1 Augur,	60
1 Drill,	1 50	1 Draw Shave,	25
11 Bits,	2 00	9 Drills,	1 00
1 Nail Set,	10	9 Files,	50
1 14-inch Pipe Wrench,	2 00	3 Monkey Wrenches,	1 20
3 Wagon Wrenches,	30	2 Bit Stocks,	1 50
2 Try Squares,	50	4 Cold Chisels,	40
1 Floor Scraper,	1 00	1 Oil Stove,	50
1 Chalk Line,	10	1 Plumb Bob,	50
1 Bench Vise,	2 50	1 Small Vise,	75
2 Washer Cutters,	1 00	3 Pair Wood Clamps,	75
1 Level,	2 50	2 Large Iron Snow Shovels,	4 00
1 Sledge Hammer,	1 00	2 P. F. D. Stamps,	1 50
3 Step Ladders,	3 00	1 Mop and Wringer,	2 00
1 Window Brush,	75	1 Pair Clippers,	75
10 Hose Menders,	1 00	2 Leather Punches,	75
4 Dust Pans,	1 00	1 Feather Duster,	75
6 Brooms,	1 00	2 Wooden Pails,	75
6 Iron Pails,	1 50	2 New Fire Axes,	2 00
65 Bars Soap,	3 25	6 Packages Sapolio,	50
11 Packages Potash,	1 00	30 Feet Extinguisher Hose,	3 00
1 Pair Lantern Holders,	3 00	1 Extra Steamer Pole,	10 00
2 Extra Protective Poles,	15 00	2 Coal Shovels,	1 00
1 Bale Waste,	3 00	2 Scrubbing Brushes,	20
8 Lanterns,	2 00	14 Coal Baskets,	14 00
2 Pair Rubber Boots,	6 00	2 Rubber Coats,	5 00
100 Feet Garden Hose,	10 00	1 Feed Box,	5 00
1 Table,	1 00	2 Kerosene Oil Cans,	50

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1 Oil Can,	25	3 Screw Drivers,	75
100 Engine Lighters,	5 00	3,550 Feet Fire Hose in Racks,	1,775 00
2 Sets extra Steam'r Grates,	5 00		
Total,			$ 1,930 90

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY.

Steamer No. 1.

1 Clapp & Jones Engine, complete,	$3,000 00	1 Sledgehammer,	50
1 Two-wheeled Hose Cart,	50 00	4 S Wrenches,	3 00
500 feet Cotton Hose,	250 00	1 5-gallon Oil Can,	50
2 Play Pipes,	5 00	1 2 " " "	10
1 extra set of Whiffletrees and Eveners,	6 00	1 Cupboard,	28 00
2 Callahan shut-off Nozzles,	28 50	3 Lanterns,	2 00
1 Waste Can,	1 00	15 Chairs,	18 75
1 Wagon Jack,	2 00	1 Table,	50
1 set Pump Packings,	22 00	5 Iron Bed Steads,	42 50
4 Lantern Globes,	40	5 Mattresses,	20 00
1 Package Packing,	1 00	5 Pillows,	7 50
3 Chamois,	1 00	10 Bed Spreads,	7 50
2 Socket Wrenches,	2 00	30 Sheets,	15 00
2 lbs. Paste Polish,	80	12 Towels,	1 50
12 sheets Emery Cloth,	40	17 Pillow Cases,	8 50
10 Rubber Garkets,	2 00	13 Blankets,	13 00
Extra Water Glass,	1 00	5 Rugs,	7 50
2 Pairs Gloves,	1 80	1 Hamper,	1 50
1 Screw Driver,	25	1 Whisk Broom,	10
2 Hammers,	50	1 Floor Brush,	1 00
1 Pair Pliers,	50	4 Cuspidors,	1 00
3 Cold Chisels,	50	3 Oak Wardrobes,	45 00
1 Calking,	25	1 Mirror,	7 65
2 8-inch Pipe Wrenches,	3 00	9 Pair Rubber Boots,	21 15
1 " Monkey Wrench,	60	9 Rubber Coats,	27 00
1 10 " " "	75	Uniforms,	200 00
1 14 " " "	1 24	3 Ladder Straps,	1 50
1 Baxter Wrench,	50	4 Spanners,	2 00
7 Hose Spinners,	2 00	1 Pipe Wrench,	3 00
1 Shovel,	50	1 Hose Wrench,	3 00
			$3,875 75

Steamer No. 2.

1 Clapp & Jones Steamer,	$3,000 00	1 Baxter Wrench,	50
		1 Pair Pliers,	50
1 Two-wheel Hose Cart,	200 00	2 Pair Gloves,	1 00
500 Feet Cotton Hose,	250 00	1 Rubber Coat,	3 00

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Extra pair Whiffletrees and Eveners,	6 00
2 Play Pipes,	12 00
2 Callahan shutoff Nozzles,	28 50
5 Lanterns,	3 75
1 Wagon Jack,	75
3 Screw Drivers,	75
2 Monkey Wrenches,	1 20
1 Pipe Wrench,	1 75
2 Cold Chisels,	50
2 Hose Spanners,	1 00
2 Shovels,	50
1 Chamois,	50
2 Dusters,	50
2 Oil Cans,	50
1 Copper band for pump,	1 25
1 Pair Clippers,	75
1 Hatchet,	50
2 Machine Wrenches,	25
1 Crow Bar,	60
25 Sheets,	12 50
16 Pillow Cases,	8 00
5 Spreads,	3 75
18 Towels,	2 25
5 Bedsteads,	42 50
5 Spring Beds, 5 Mattresses,	20 00
5 Pillows,	7 50
15 Chairs,	18 75
1 Table,	1 00
20 Blankets,	20 00
5 Ladder Straps,	2 00
4 Spanners,	2 00
1 Pipe Wrench,	3 00
1 Hose Wrench,	3 00
1 Mirror,	7 65
3 Wardrobes,	45 00
Cupboard,	28 00
	$3,743 95

Steamer No. 3.

1 Silsby Steamer at shop for repairs value about $1,600	00
1 Four-wheel Hose Cart,	150 00
1000 Feet Hose,	500 00
2 Callahan shutoff Nozzles,	28 50
6 Lanterns,	5 00
1 Extra set Whiffletrees and Eveners,	6 00
2 Play Pipes,	6 00
1 Wagon Jack,	2 00
3 Brooms,	75
50 Feet Rope,	1 00
1 Sprinkling Can,	50
1 Five gallon Oil Can,	1 50
2 Shovels,	1 00
1 Wheelbarrow,	5 00
5 Baskets,	5 00
3 Cuspidors,	75
100 Feet Garden Hose,	5 00
2 Dust Pans,	25
1 Ice Chisel,	75
1 Clock,	3 00
1 Step Ladder,	1 00
2 Iron Pails,	50
Chairs,	25 00
4 Tables,	2 00
5 Bedsteads,	42 50
5 Spring Beds & Mattresses,	20 00
10 Bedspreads,	7 50
14 Blankets,	14 00
22 Sheets,	11 00
12 Pillow Cases,	1 50
7 Towels,	85
7 Pair Rubber Boots,	16 45
7 Rubber Coats,	21 00
12 Pair Mittens,	3 00
2 Hammers,	50
3 Wrenches,	2 50
2 Cold Chisels,	50
2 Screw Drivers,	50
1 Axe and Shovel,	3 00
2 Iron Bars,	2 00
Chamois and Alcohol,	1 50
4 Ladder Straps,	2 00
5 Spanners,	1 80
3 Oil Cans,	1 50
Coal,	75 00
	$2,579 10

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Greylock Hook and Ladder Co.

1 Gleason & Bailey Truck,	$1,700 00	6 Blankets,	6 00
1 Truck No. 1,	1,009 00	6 Bedspreads,	4 50
1 Monkey Wrench,	2 00	3 Pillows,	4 50
7 Cuspidors,	3 00	1 Hamper,	2 00
1 Duster and Shovel,	1 00	4 Chairs,	4 00
1 Extra Set Whiffetrees and Eveners	6 00	1 Mirror,	7 65
Uniforms,	175 00	10 Pair Rubber Boots,	23 50
Belts,	15 00	14 Towels,	1 75
3 Fire Extinguishers,	45 00	12 Sheets,	6 00
3 Bedsteads,	25 50	16 Pair Mittens,	5 00
3 Springs and 3 Mattresses,	12 00	1 Cupboard,	28 00
3 Rugs,	3 00	10 Rubber Coats,	30 00
2 Wardrobes,	30 00	8 Pillow Cases,	4 00
		2 Pair Rubber Gloves,	2 50
			$3,146 90

Inventory of Property, Protective No. 1.

1 Wagon, complete,	$300 00	20 Blankets,	$150 00
14 Pair Rubber Boots,	32 90	8 Smoke Cups,	5 00
8 Hats,	3 00	15 Rubber Coats,	45 00
5 Extinguishers,	100 00	1 Lath Rake,	5 00
100 feet Garden Hose,	10 00	2 Brooms,	50
1 Shovel,	50	2 Pitch Forks,	1 00
6 Lanterns,	4 50	1 Axe,	50
Augurs and Bits,	3 00	Uniforms,	175 00
Belts,	15 00	3 Bedsteads,	25 50
3 Spring B'ds & 3 Mattres's,	12 00	15 Sheets,	7 50
10 Pillow Cases,	5 00	5 Bed Spreads,	3 75
14 Towels,	1 75	2 Wardrobes,	30 00
1 Blanket Case,	11 78		
1 Cupboard	28 00		$983 83
1 Mirror,	7 65		

Fire Alarm Supplies.

1 Pair Splicing Pliers,	$1 50	1 Gasolene Lamp,	$5 00
1 Pair Pipe Pliers,	2 00	1 Set Tackle and Blocks,	5 00
500 feet Hand Line (rope),	8 00	2 Small Hand Lines,	2 00
1 Testing Box,	3 50	2 Pair Climbers,	3 00
2 Extension Ladders,	25 00	2 Pair Pliers,	3 50
1 Small Tackle,	3 50	12 Large Insulators,	3 00
1 Set Large Ta'kle and Bl'ks,	4 00	5 Iron Insulator Irons,	2 00
7 Pike Poles,	10 50	25 2-pin cross arm & ext'sns,	10 00

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19 2-pin cross arms & ext'sns,	6 00	2 Dead Men,	2 00
½ Mile New Wire,	7 50	½ Mile Old Wire,	5 00
2 Cart Hooks,	2 00	1 Pole Puller, complete,	12 00
1 Wire Reel,	3 00	1 Pole Cart,	5 00
2 Tamping Bars,	1 00	2 Crowbars,	1 50
1 Spoon,	1 50		
3 Dozen Bolts,	50		$137 50

INVENTORY OF FIRE ALARM MACHINERY.

About 30 miles wire, 4 indicators, 1-6 circuit repeater, 40 tappers, 175 cells storage battery, switch board and lightning arresters, 7 galvanometers, 1 mile wire (extra supply), insulated wire and necessary tools. Estimated value, $7,500.00.

CHIEF'S OFFICE.

1 Wardrobe	$18 00	Rugs and Curtains,	$25 00
1 Bedstead, Spring and Mattress,	13 00		$56 00

HORSES, WAGONS, ETC.

1 Pair Grey Horses and Harnesses,	$150 00	1 Single Horse;	$100 00
3 Blankets,	13 50	1 Single Wagon, Chief's complete,	100 00
1 Single Harness,	25 00	7 Whips,	7 00
2 Wagon Jacks,	5 00		
5 Iron Mangers, etc.,	15 00		$433 50
3 Harness Hangers,	18 00		

HOSE NO. 4.

1 Hose Cart,	$20 00		
400 feet Hose,	200 00		$220 00

HOSE NO. 5.

1 Hose Cart, complete,	$750 00	1000 feet Cotton Hose,	$500 00
5 Rubber Coats,	17 75	12 Pair Mittens,	3 00
10 Hose Spanners,	5 00	2 Lanterns,	1 50
10 Ladder Straps,	5 00		
2 Play Pipes,	28 00		$1,338 75
2 Shut-off Nozzles,	28 50		

OFFICE AND BATTERY ROOM.

3 Arm Chairs,	$7 50	6 Arm Chairs,	$6 00
6 Circuit Repeater,	600 00	Switchboard, Lightning Ar'str, Galvanometers,	150 00
Screws & Bolts for Fire Alarm,	11 45	Galvanuscope,	15 00
175 Cells Storage Battery and Switchboard,	5 25	Stop Clock,	4 00
3 Cuspidors,	2 00		$1,320 95

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Expenditures Central Station.

Paid Jan. 1, Gas Co. putting in Gas Pipe,	$22 00
R. E. Rockwell, cuspidors,	16 00
Barker & Belden, Picture Wire and Hooks,	75
Berkshire Electric Co., Labor and Material,	9 35
Mrs. N. Doucat, Cleaning House,	3 00
Peirson Hardware Co., 4 Landing Pads,	40 00
Pittsfield Electric Co., Lights,	46 55
Berkshire Electric Co., 25 Lamps,	5 00
E. Miller, Cleaning House Inspectors Day,	1 70
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Repairs,	9 55
Peirson Hardware Co., Hardware,	15 97
Peirson Hardware Co., Putting in Landing Pads,	4 75
C. E. Merrill, Repairs,	1 58
Berkshire Electric Co., Lamps and Fixtures,	6 21
P. C. Langdon, Cleaning Rugs,	50
Barnes & Jenks, Blue Print Engine Heater,	5 00
Peirson Hardware Co.,	36 05
Eureka Electric Co., for Fixing Switch,	40
Berkshire Electric Co., Changing Lights,	16 00
J. O'Connell, Repairing Closets,	4 10
Bovett & Noble, Radiator Battery Room,	11 42
Robbins & Gamwell, Repairs,	1 06
C. E. Merrill, Repairs,	14 66
G. A. Bidwell, Hot Water Heater,	151 90
H. B. Wellington, Wardrobe and Blanket Case,	67 78
Berkshire Electric Co., Lights in Cellar,	1 32
C. E. Merrill, Labor on House and Material,	103 83
F. X. Z. Poitras, Labor,	15 00
H. B. Wellington, Wardrobe,	56 00
H. B. Wellington, Work at Battery Room,	7 35
F. X. Z. Poitras, 11½ Days' Labor,	34 50
C. E. Merrill, Repairs and Material,	52 26
Pierson Hardware Co., Fly Screens,	3 54
F. X. Z. Poitras, 6½ Days' Labor,	21 12
Gamwell & Linnehan, Shades and Mats,	5 55
C. E. Merrill,	17 11
J, Corkhill, Furnishing Battery Room,	39 92
G. W. Branch, Repairs,	8 06
E. W. Markham, Building Chimney and Caps,	118 05
F. X. Z. Poitras, 45 Hours' Labor,	15 75
Berkshire Electric Co., Shades,	1 10
W. W. Carpenter, Lock Protectives,	5 35
Robbins & Gamwell, Valve and Pipe,	2 67
Eureka Elec Co., Repairing Lights and Wires,	16 06
L. L. Atwood, 20 Loads Gravel,	8 00
G. W. Branch, Rep. Hot Water Pipe and Closets,	7 11

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E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Door Stops, .	1 60	
Eureka Electric Co., Fixing Lights,	2 68	
F. L. Cheney, Mirror and Shelves,	35 95	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Boiler,	460 00	
H. B. Wellington, Wardrobe,	18 00	
Prince & Walker, Rugs,	4 00	
Peirson Hardware Co., Lamps and Hardware,	9 02	
Peirson Hardware Co., Mangers,	14 95	
F. L. Cheney, Windows and Lumber for Stalls,	35 21	
		$1,612 34

ENGINE HOUSE NO. 3.

Paid Jan. 1, Ralph Herie, Carting Ashes,	$ 1 20	
Pittsfield Electric,	1 60	
Pierson Hardware Co., Landing Pads,	10 00	
Pittsfield Electric Co., Light,	13 97	
C. E. Merrill, Repairs,	18 89	
Pierson Hardware Co., Door Springs,	21 00	
J. O'Connell, Repairing,	2 60	
Bovett & Noble, Valves,	7 62	
C. E. Merrill, Repairs,	1 44	
Robbins & Gamwell,	8 55	
C. E. Merrill,	3 00	
Gamwell & Linnehan, Shades,	2 40	
C. E. Merrill, Repairs,	18 82	
George W. Branch, Plumbing,	56 16	
E. M. Markham, Repairs,	7 41	
Pierson Hardware Co., Paint,	19 13	
Dennis Corey,	1 75	
Robbins & Gamwell, Radiator and Rep. Boiler,	53 26	
Dennis Corey, Setting Heating Boiler,	9 00	
Robbins & Gamwell, Rep. in Heating Boiler,	44 70	
George W. Branch, Cleaning Waste Pipe,	1 65	
		$304 15

ENGINE NO 1.

Paid American Fire Co.,	$3 25	
E. D. Jones Sons, & Co., repairing Steamer,	14 51	
Wood Brothers, cleaning Piano,	1 00	
F. X. Z. Poitras, Pay Roll,	62 50	
Fred Hall, 5 hours' Labor,	2 00	
J. F. Messer, 3 hours' Labor,	60	
Joe Parker, 4 hours' Labor,	1 40	
C. Urquhart, 12 hours' Labor,	4 20	
W. C. Shepard, Engineer,	30 00	
W. Villineau, Stoker,	25 00	
Robbins & Gamwell, Repairs to Steamer,	21 44	

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Pay Roll, First Quarter,	87 70	
E. D. Jones Sons & Co., repairing Boilers,	3 44	
Pay Roll, Bunkers,	62 50	
W. C. Shepard, Engineer,	30 00	
T. H. Richardson, repairing Clock, 1892,	1 50	
W. Villineau, Stoker,	25 00	
Pay Roll,	72 40	
G. W. Branch, repairs on Steamer,	1 88	
C. Callahan, bill for Steamer,	3 00	
E. D. Jones, & Sons Co., putting Bell on Steamer,	1 90	
Pittsfield Electric Co., Light,	3 99	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Pipe and Repairing,	1 50	
Pittsfield Gas Co., Gas,	30	
W. C. Shepard, Engineer,	30 00	
W. Villineau, Stoker,	25 00	
F. X. Z. Poitras, Pay Roll, Bunkers,	62 50	
Pay Roll,	50 00	
G. W. Branch, repairing Lantern,	70	
Bunkers,	62 50	
Pay Roll,	60 30	
W Villineau,	25 00	
W. C. Shepard,	30 00	
		$807 01

ENGINE NO. 2.

Paid, Jan. 1, R. E. Willard & Son,	$3 15	
H. B. Wellington, 3 Chairs,	3 75	
F. J. Clark, Pay Roll,	62 50	
W. S. Barrows, Stoker,	25 00	
W. Lloyd, Engineer,	30 00	
John Fredericks, 8 hours' Labor,	3 20	
Roy Chapman, 22 hours' Labor,	8 20	
Pay Roll, First Quarter,	78 65	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing Pump,	3 19	
F. J. Clark, Bunker,	62 50	
W. Lloyd, Engineer,	30 00	
W. S. Barrows, Stoker,	25 00	
Pay Roll,	111 05	
S. F. Heyward, 6 Lantern Pins,	60	
C. Callahan & Co., Bell for Steamer,	3 00	
C. E. Merrill, repairs on Hose Cart,	1 75	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairs,	3 91	
American Fire Engine Co., Valve Basket,	25 62	
American Fire Engine Co., Rings for Steamer,	2 15	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., fitting Valve Cage,	17 40	
W. Lloyd, Engineer,	30 00	
W. S. Barrows, Stoker,	25 00	

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F. J. Clark, Pay Roll, Bunkers,	62 50	
F. J. Clark, Pay Roll, Firemen,	81 05	
Robbins & Gamwell, repairs Steam Guage,	2 50	
Bunkers,	62 50	
W. Lloyd,	30 00	
W. S. Barrows,	25 00	
Pay Roll,	76 89	
		$896 06

ENGINE NO. 3.

February, American Fire Engine Co., New Grates,	$ 7 05	
Croughwell & Co., Repairing Cart,	5 25	
W. B. Foote, Sperm Oil,	1 50	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Repairing Steamer,	1 72	
E. F. Fahey, Pay Roll,	66 00	
D. F. Murphy, 12 Hours' Labor,	4 60	
D. O'Neil, 7 Hours' Labor,	2 00	
P. Sheridan, 3 Hours' Labor,	1 20	
M. Marshall, 3 Hours' Labor,	1 20	
W. Croughwell, Stoker, 10 Hours' extra Labor,	29 00	
John LaBarnes, Engineer, 20 Hours' extra Labor,	38 00	
Pittsfield Gas Co., Gas,	3 45	
American Fire Engine Co., Drop Tubes,	27 35	
Pittsfield Electric Co., Light,	11 97	
Robbins & Gamwell, Repairs on Steamer,	9 34	
Pay Roll First Quarter,	74 90	
A. A. Mills, Bill 1895,	2 40	
Pittsfield Electric Co., Electric Light,	5 32	
" " " "	3 99	
E. F. Fahey, Bunkers,	62 50	
John LaBarnes, Engineer,	30 00	
W. Croughwell, Stoker,	25 00	
Pay Roll,	50 00	
England Bros. Bunting, 1895, Talbot Bros. 1895,	6 15	
Pittsfield Electric Co., Lights,	5 32	
G. W. Branch, Repairs on Steamer,	88	
Pittsfield Gas Co., Gas Bill,	90	
E. F. Fahey,	50	
John LaBarnes, Engineer,	30 00	
W. Croughwell, Stoker,	25 00	
E. F. Fahey, Pay Roll Bunkers,	62 50	
Pay Roll, extra time,	60 00	
Geo. H. Frey, Labor on Steamer,	3 00	
Pittsfield Elecric Co., Light,	17 29	
W. H. McCary, Blacksmithing,	8 00	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing engine,	11 93	
Dutton & Tucker,	35	

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C. E. Merrill, repairing cart,	75	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Shipping No. 3 Steamer,	6 92	
Pittsfield Electric Co., light,	12 63	
Pay Roll for Extra Work Testing Engine, etc.,	34 40	
Pittsfield Gas Co., Gas Bill,	90	
Pittsfield Electric Co.,	9 31	
H. S. Russell, Fixing Flues,	1 60	
Pay Roll,	63 10	
John LaBarnes,	10 00	
W. Croughwell,	28 33	
Jas. Reagan,	16 67	
Bunkers,	62 50	
		$942 67

HOOK AND LADDER NO. 1.

Paid Root & Sons, Boots and Blacking,	$3 40	
Pierson Hardware Co., supplies,	61 32	
W. H. McCarry, Pay Roll and Care Apparatus,	50 00	
C. Hydren, Carbolic Acid,	50	
Pay Roll, First Quarter,	89 75	
C. Callahan, Plaster Hook,	6 00	
Pierson Hardware Co., Rope, Forks and Shovels,	6 10	
C. E. Merrill, Hook and Ladder Truck,	237 81	
Pay Roll, W. H. McCarry, Bunkers and Care Apparatus,	50 00	
Pay Roll, Second Quarter,	85 40	
C. Callahan, Supplies New Truck,	51 50	
Deeley & Keefe, Spikes for Ladders,	4 18	
C. Callahan, 2 pairs Rubber Gloves,	4 50	
C. E. Merrill, Boxes and Rack Truck,	18 93	
C. E. Merrill, repairs on Truck,	5 00	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairs on Truck,	1 71	
C. E. Merrill, repairs on Ladder,	4 50	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing Truck,	3 97	
Pay Roll, Quarter,	76 60	
W. H. McCarry, Bunker and Care Apparatus,	50 00	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing Gong,	80	
Pay Roll,	82 00	
Bunkers,	50 00	
		$944 17
Less cost of rebuilding Truck,		350 63

REBUILDING OLD HOOK AND LADDER TRUCK.

Paid Pierson Hardware Co.,	$61 32	
C. E. Merrill,	237 81	
C. Callahan & Co.,	51 50	
		$593 54

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Protective.

Paid, England Bros., Blankets, etc.,	6 34	
C. Callahan Co., Lath Hook,	5 00	
Pay Roll, First Quarter,	104 60	
Berkshire Tack Co.,	1 17	
Pay Roll,	143 98	
Casey & Bacon, Soda,	2 50	
C. E. Merrill, Repairs on Wagon,	9 00	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Repairing Extinguishers,	1 20	
W. B. Foote, Extinguisher Hose,	13 00	
Pay Roll and Bunkers,	128 00	
W. B. Foot, 100 Feet Hose Nozzle,	10 50	
R. E. Willard & Son, Acid Bottles,	4 10	
C. Callahan Co., Repairing Extinguishers,	16 00	
Geo. W. Branch, 2 Dozen Cans,	3 90	
Pay Roll,	116 38	
		$565 67

Hose No. 4.

Paid P. P. Curtin, ¼ month's rent,		$7 50

Horses.

Paid E. Backman, single horse, Chief's,	$100 00	
C. E. Merrill, 1 horse,	75 00	
C. E. Merrill, 1 horse,	75 00	
		$250 00
Pierson Hardware Co., 1000 ft. hose at 52 cts.,	$520 00	
Pierson Hardware Co., 1000 ft. hose at 55 cts.,	550 00	
		$1,070 00

Hose No. 5.

Paid Pierson Hardware Co., numbers 5,	$ 60	
C. E. Merrill, foot board and pole,	49 55	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co.,	3 87	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., new irons for steps,	6 29	
Geo. H. Frey, labor,	3 00	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing,	3 88	
		$67 19

Fire Alarm.

January 1, Croughwell & Co.,	$3 50
E. W. Backman, Horse,	17 50
D. C. Elliott, Carting E. Wire,	1 25
Peirson Hardware Co., Zincs and Coppers,	15 25
Dutton & Tucker, Vitrol,	26 49
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Putting on Key Guard,	1 80
Berkshire Electric Co.,	8 90
Peirson Hardware Co., Zincs and Coppers,	8 80

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E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulator Irons,		20 44
N. E. Gamwell, Fire Alarm Co.,		7 25
F. G. Guilds & Co., Freight and Cartage,		73
C. S. Knowles, 4,603 feet Cable,	314 28	
6 Junction Boxes,	27 00	341 28
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulator Irons,		108 07
W. G. Backus & Sons, Cement,		35
Dutton & Tucker, Acid,		2 90
Berkshire Electric Co., Linemen,		18 95
Berkshire Electric Co., Labor and Material,		330 15
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulators,		14 22
G. W. Branch, Copper for Grounds,		3 29
F. G. Guilds, Freight and Cartage,		1 28
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulator,		3 02
Stanley & Co., Parafine,		3 24
C. S. Knowles, 110 feet Cable,		6 60
Eureka Electric Co., Labor and Material,		135 62
N. E. Gamwell Fire Alarm Co., Storage Battery,		525 00
N. E. Gamwell, Gongs and Labor,		55 00
Peirson Hardware Co., Paints and Brushes,		9 00
Berkshire Electric Co., Supplies,		7 10
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulators, etc.,		3 76
Robbins & Gamwell, Pipe,		8 72
Eureka Electric Co., Supplies,		84 26
Eureka Electric Co., Supplies,		25 79
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co.,		20 82
C. E. Merrill,		14 00
Geo. W. Branch,		95
Eureka Electric Co., Labor and Material,		79 63
Pittsfield Electric Co., Battery Charging,		5 66
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulators,		4 40
Peirson Hardware Co., Paints for Boxes, etc.,		10 55
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulators and Iron,		13 34
F. L. Cheney, Cross Arms,		9 83
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co.,		89
Furness & Coggswell, Pipe,		37
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Pipe,		87
Eureka Electric Co., Labor and Material,		45 59
J. H. Burnell & Co., Bills and Supplies,		23 50
Berkshire Electric Co., Wire,		14 13
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Pole Puller,		12 94
T. E. Hall, Cartage Wire, etc.,		13 15
Eureka Electric Co., Labor and Material,		37 97
Pittsfield Electric Co., Charging Batteries,		8 75
R. E. Willard & Sons, Syringe for Battery,		3 25
G. W Branch, Repairing Still Alarm,		88
Eureka Electric Co., Labor and Material,		26 80

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Gamwell Fire Alarm, Repeater, Indicator, Switch board, etc.,	1,333 17	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., Insulator,	43	
Eureka Electric Co., Labor and Material,	41 93	
Pittsfield Electric Co., Charging Current,	8 75	
Eureka Electric Co., Labor and Material,	23 03	
		$3,558 99

HAY, STRAW AND FEED.

Paid W. P. Griffen,	$12 46	
W. P. Griffen,	8 99	
R. W. Renfrew,	11 76	
J. S. Wolfe Co., feed,	1 60	
E. Backman, hay,	2 02	
J. S. Wolfe Co., oats,	3 20	
R. W. Renfrew,	1 75	
Bradley Bros, straw,	2 12	
J. S. Wolfe Co.,	5 00	
Bradley Bros., hay,	1 20	
J. S. Wolfe Co.,	3 20	
J. S. Wolfe Co.,	18 86	
Bradley Bros.,	18 11	
Bradley Bros.,	16 29	
J. S. Wolfe Co.,	13 70	
		$120 26

VETERAN ASSOCIATION.

Paid E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing hand engine,	$34 76	
G. W. Branch, changing pipes	2 55	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., changing gas fixtures,	15 31	
C. E. Merrill, repairs,	62 72	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., repairs,	5 25	
Geo. W. Branch, plumbing,	4 00	
W. H. Turner, mason work,	41 25	
John Corkhill, painting,	215 19	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing grate,	1 00	
C. E. Merrill, waste on I beams,	4 00	
G. W. Branch, register,	10 20	
W. F. Francis, heater for department,	20 00	
		$416 28

REPAIRING TANKS.

Paid C. H. Smith, North Street Tank,	$15 29

REPAIRS ON HAND ENGINE.

Paid E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing and painting,	$84 92

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Teams for Fires.

Paid E. W. Backman,	$13 00	
G. R. Barber,	5 00	
Russell Livery,	109 00	
G. R. Barber, Protectives,	15 50	
V. Viner,	44 00	
Sam'l Bridges, Sprague & Brimmer fire,	6 50	
C. E. Merrill,	24 00	
Russell Livery, 21 days' use horse, sleigh & wagon,	29 00	
Roy Chapman, 35 days' horse and labor,	115 50	
G. R. Barber,	10 00	
C. E. Merrill,	7 00	
E. W. Backman,	19 00	
E. W. Backman, 30 days' use of horse,	30 00	
G. R. Barber,	15 50	
E. Backman,	51 00	
E. Backman, 31 days' use of horse,	31 00	
C. E. Merrill,	21 00	
G. R. Barker,	10 00	
V. Viner, teams to Lanesboro,	50 00	
E. Backman, teams to Lanesboro,	20 00	
E. Backman, teams to Lanesboro,	22 00	
E. Backman, use of wagon,	3 75	
G. R. Barber,	13 00	
C. E. Merrill,	7 00	
Russell Livery, E. Backman,	26 50	
V. Viner,	8 00	
G. R. Barber,	15 00	
C. E. Merrill,	5 00	
E. Backman,	9 25	
E. Backman,	27 00	
V. Viner,	61 50	
E. Backman,	64 50	
G. R. Barber,	20 00	
G. R. Barber,	5 00	
E. Backman,	23 00	
Roy Chapman, 4 weeks' use of horse and labor,	60 00	
John Fredericks, driver,	50 00	
V. Viner,	81 00	
Roy Chapman,	64 30	
John Fredericks,	50 00	
G. R. Barber,	10 00	
E. Backman,	7 00	
	———	$1,258 80

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EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Paid January 1, C. G. Braxman, badges for engineers' coats,	$3 20
W. P. Lawton & Son, coal,	21 57
W. B. Foote, sperm oil,	1 50
R. E. Willard & Son,	75
Pittsfield Gas, Hose Tower,	3 45
N. E. Telephone Co., 3 months' rent,	9 00
A. A. Mills,	9 47
J. E. Linnehan, Bon Ami,	40
C. Urquhardt, labor,	4 50
M. Beauchmin,	46 50
George W. Branch, salary 1 month,	50 00
John J. Powers, " " "	10 00
Geo. H. Frey, " " "	10 00
F. J. Clark, " " "	10 00
G. W. Branch, postage, etc.,	2 30
H. B. Wellington, upholstering sofa and new chair,	27 00
Peirson Hardware Co., 6 nozzles shut off,	85 50
" " " paint, washers, etc.,	15 46
Dutton & Tucker, oil,	5 25
C. C. Gamwell, coal,	8 60
Scoville & Co., buttons,	2 80
Pontoosuc Woolen Co., blankets,	7 00
2 meals Lawlor & White hurt,	70
Croughwell & Co., hydrant wrenches,	9 75
American Fire Engine Co., extra valve,	22 10
John J. Powers, extra labor, shirt factory fire,	2 50
Berkshire Typewriter paper,	1 43
C. F. Smith, matches,	1 00
W. F. Francis, express, etc.,	5 88
Roy Chapman, labor,	31 50
Daniel Murphy, labor,	1 50
C. Urquhardt, labor,	11 25
M. Beauchmin, labor,	18 00
A. N. Chapel,	43
C. G. Braxman, badge,	1 00
Peirson Hardware Co., hardware,	19 91
W. Harrahy, lunch after Barkerville fire,	3 00
R. Manock, laundry January and February,	25 90
Dutton & Tucker, 25 rubber coats,	75 10
Peirson Hardware Co., lanterns,	49 31
Talbot Bros., stationery,	1 00
Peirson Hardware Co., supplies,	13 59
W. B. Foote,	1 75
John R. Feeley, mittens,	3 50
Pittsfield Electric Co., 48 lamps,	9 60

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C. Callahan Co., supplies,	17 50
John Callahan,	4 95
H. K. Barnes, lantern holders,	4 00
S. F. Hayward, " "	3 00
" "	40
Hall & Owens, cartage,	11 40
F. M. White, coal for Nov. and Dec., 1895,	16 05
C. C. Gamwell, coal for Central Station,	68 38
Barker & Belden, hardware,	9 80
Eagle Publishing Co.,	1 25
H. B. Wellington,	4 50
H. B. Wellington, 3 new bedsteads, complete,	42 50
Pittsfield Gas Co., gas Central Station,	6 00
Kennedy & MacInnes, sheets and pillow cases,	23 75
N. E. Telephone Co., telephone,	9 00
J. C. Sprague, 24 days on hose wagon,	12 00
Pittsfield Electric Co., light Central Station,	46 55
H. L. Gregory, 35 pair rubber boots,	85 55
England Bros., quilts and blankets,	6 50
W. F. Francis, express,	3 50
B. Cummings, labor, janitor 34 days,	51 00
G. N. Hopkins, excelsior,	6 38
Geo. Blatchford, stationery,	2 10
R. A. Manock, laundry March and April,	29 27
C. C. Gamwell, 8960 egg coal,	24 65
Pittsfield Gas Co., gas, storehouse,	2 55
Pittsfield Gas Co., error in bill,	8 10
Hopkins & Wright,	5 50
C. E. Merrill, feed box,	6 30
C. E. Merrill, frame for map, etc.,	12 10
C. E. Merrill, repairs,	39 08
D. C. Elliot, trucking,	1 00
Mrs. Frey, cleaning and express,	19 65
Pierson Hardware Co., hardware,	31 15
Bartley Cummings, janitor,	45 00
D. Murphy, 10½ day's labor,	15 75
Roy Chapman, 18 days' labor at $1.50,	27 00
D. Murphy, 15 days' labor,	22 50
H. S. Taylor & Sons, uniform and cap,	25 75
R. A. Manock, laundry,	12 61
C. C. Gamwell, coal,	5 50
Hall & Owen, trucking,	7 85
G. W. Branch, plumbing, etc.,	4 58
C. Callahan, hose rings,	5 00
Barker & Belden, hardware,	4 54
W. B. Foote, hose nozzle,	60
American Fire Co., matches,	3 00

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Bartley Cummings, janitor,	60 00
W. F. Francis, expense & extra help at hose tower,	4 80
Dr. M. L. Woodruff, professional services,	12 50
Pittsfield Electric Co., light, Central station,	23 94
Pierson Hardware Co., hardware,	54 74
John J. Powers, 4 days' labor and expense,	12 60
R. A, Manock, Laundry,	12 09
Pierson Hardware Co., supplies,	10 89
Pittsfield Electric Co., light,	22 61
Deeley & O'Keefe, horse shoeing,	1 75
R. A. Rockwell, gasolene,	10
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairing whistle and extinguisher,	3 29
Sun Printing Co., printing,	1 25
E. B. Mead, chief's wagon, blankets and whip,	89 75
H. P. Lucas, axe,	1 50
Pittsfield Gas Co., gas bill,	5 10
C. Callahan Co., harness hanger,	6 00
Kennedy & MacInnes, towels, bedspreads & rug,	33 95
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., repairs,	3 76
Gerst & Smith, repairs,	63 88
C. E. Merrill,	8 35
Bartley Cummings, Janitor,	60 00
Jos. C. Parker, Labor,	39 00
W. Sipperly, Labor,	18 75
John Fredericks, Labor,	7 50
John Corkhill, Painting,	9 40
Edwards Jewelry Co., Repairing Clock,	2 25
Barker & Belden, Hardware,	5 16
W. F. Francis, Express and Mop Wringer,	4 10
W. F. Francis, Extra help at Hose Tower,	4 40
Robbins & Gamwell, Repairs,	4 04
Garvin & Tanner, Coal for Central Station,	228 67
Garvin & Tanner, Coal for No. 3 Engine House,	110 89
C. Callahan, Extinguisher Tips and 3 Extinguishers,	59 50
Pittsfield Electric Co., Central Station,	26 60
Hall & Owen, Cartage,	3 25
N. E. Telephone Co.,	9 00
Deeley & O'Keefe, Horse-shoeing,	1 50
Casey & Bacon, Box Soap,	6 70
F. J. Burlingame, Whips,	7 50
W. Harrahy, Lunch after G. N. Hopkins' Fire,	2 50
Wood Bros, Box,	2 50
American Fire Engine Co., 2 Dozen Screws,	1 23
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	21 76
W. Sipperly, Labor,	25 50

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John Fredericks, Labor,	35 70
Joseph Parker, Labor,	46 20
Bartley Cummings, Janitor,	60 00
Barker & Belden, Hardware,	8 57
J. H. Manning, Liniment,	75
C. E. Merrill, Labor and Material,	7 09
W. F. Francis, Express,	5 35
F. L. Cheney, Tools, etc.,	2 75
W. H. Sipperly, Labor, 6 Days,	9 00
C. F. Smith, Matches and Candles,	2 55
Pittsfield Electric Co., Light Central Station,	26 60
F. G. Guilds, Freight and Cartage,	8 76
F. M. White, Coal,	75 50
Geo. Blatchford, Stationery,	1 81
Read & Co., 5 Gallons Disinfectant,	6 25
Kennedy & MacInnes, Sheets and Bedspreads,	7 50
Barker & Belden, Hardware,	6 88
Deeley & O'Keefe, Horse-shoeing,	1 50
Geo. H. Frey, 60 Hours' Labor,	18 00
Bartley Cummings, Janitor,	60 00
Joseph Parker, Labor,	46 50
John Fredericks, Labor,	39 00
W. Sipperly, Labor,	5 25
H. B. Wellington, Chair, 1895,	14 75
Talbot Brothers, 6 Frames,	6 90
Eagle Publishing Co., Fire alarm cards,	23 50
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	37 48
Hall & Owen, cartage,	2 00
W. F. Francis, postage and express,	4 35
F. L. Cheney, box for hose, shelf, etc.,	14 83
Pittsfield Gas Co., Central Station,	2 70
W. B. Foote, hose nozzle,	50
Barker & Belden, hardware and paint,	5 33
Deeley & O'Keefe, horse shoeing,	1 50
J. M. Duffy, cap,	2 00
C. Callahan Co., pipes, repair nozzles, etc.,	47 00
J. C. Sprague, trucking,	1 00
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., wrenches and repairing wagon,	1 80
Bartley Cummings, janitor,	60 00
Jos. Parker, labor,	45 00
John Fredericks, labor,	39 00
Talbot Bros., envelopes and mat,	65
F. H. Chaffee, V. S., visit horse,	1 50
F. L. Cheney, kindlings and lumber,	10 18
W. G. Backus' Sons, soldering acid,	50
Pierson Hardware Co., paint and hardware,	21 23

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R. Manock, laundry,	33 23
W. F. Francis, copper and express,	1 75
Pierson Hardware Co., lanterns,	12 61
Talbot Bros., paper and ink,	2 00
Dutton & Tucker, ash can and 6 rubber coats,	25 00
N. E. Telephone Co.,	9 00
W. B. Foote, oil and waste,	20 87
Deeley & O'Keefe, horse shoeing,	1 50
Pittsfield Electric Co., light,	83 89
G. W. Branch, repairing hose tower and lamp,	4 50
R. E. Willard & Son,	8 10
F. G. Guilds, freight and cartage,	2 00
Barker & Belden, hardware,	17
Pierson Hardware Co.,	13 45
Gamwell & Linnehan, cork carpet,	1 50
W. Harraby, lunch,	14 40
Bartley Cummings, janitor,	60 00
Jos. Parker, labor,	46 50
John Fredericks, labor,	39 00
Geo. Blatchford, stationery,	1 00
R. Manock, laundry,	17 80
F. H. Chaffee, V. S.,	6 00
Kennedy & MacInnes, blankets and pillow cases,	6 50
Pittsfield Electric Light Co., Central Station,	49 21
C. E. Merrill, box,	90
R. Manock, laundry,	17 80
Bartley Cummings, janitor,	60 00
Jos. Parker, labor,	45 00
Berkshire Electric Co., lamps, shades & holders,	1 92
W. Harrahy, lunch,	1 75
Eagle Publishing Co., printing,	4 50
H. S. Russell, testing heater,	2 30
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., changing radiator,	2 86
F. G. Guilds & Co., freight and cartage,	59
C. Callahan Co., hangers and straps,	20 50
E. F. Fahey,	25
T. E. Hall & Co., cartage,	5 75
F. X. Z. Poitras, labor,	14 92
Peirson Hardware Co., hardware,	4 39
Jas. Cassidy, horse shoeing,	5 25
George H. Frey, 65 hours' labor on apparatus,	26 00
W. F. Francis, postage and express,	2 45
" " expenses to Seneca Falls,	13 64
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., pipe,	2 67
O. Root & Sons, rubber boots,	11 75
Pittsfield Electric Co.,	58 52
Eagle Publishing Co.,	5 50

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Dodge & Devanny, repairs,	1 60	
C. E. Merrill, repairs,	28 10	
Robbins & Gamwell, repairs,	8 67	
R. Herie, trucking,	5 20	
Barker & Belden,	12	
Croughwell & Co., blacksmithing,	4 50	
S. C. Burton, professional services,	4 00	
Pittsfield Carriage Co., painting hose cart,	17 00	
S. C. Burton,	4 19	
Pittsfield Electric Co.,	43 32	
W. H. McCarry, hose wrenches,	9 00	
Pittsfield Gas Co., gas bill,	1 20	
R. E. Willard & Son, prescription,	1 00	
Geo. W. Branch, repairs,	45	
John R. Feeley, 10 rubber hats,	2 50	
Monroe & Smith, mittens and gloves,	36 76	
Barker & Belden, hardware,	33	
Deeley & O'Keefe, horse shoeing,	14 50	
H. H. Esterbrook, fire laws,	1 00	
F. G. Guilds & Co., freight and cartage,	50	
J. R. Newman & Sons, gloves,	3 50	
J. M. Lee, matches,	68	
E. D. Jones, Sons & Co., repairs	2 40	
Peirson Hardware Co.,	50 53	
Bartley Cummings, janitor,	60 00	
Jos. Parker, labor,	46 50	
Postal Telephone Co.,	2 50	
J. & J. Enrights, boots,	2 50	
O. Root & Sons,	3 75	
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LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.

Bank Row, near west corner of Court House.
Corner Linden and Seymour streets.
Corner Linden street and Daniels avenue.
Bradford and Northrup streets.
Bradford street and Daniels avenue.
Burbank and Second streets.
Clough and Seymour streets.
Cottage Row and Pearl streets.
South Church and Goodrich streets.
East street, north side of Park.
East street and Wendell avenue.
East street and Pomeroy avenue.
East street, north side, near Miss Clapp's.
East street, north side, near N. G. Brown's.
East street, south side, opposite tannery.

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Elm street, north side, S. G. Chapel's.
Elm street, north side, near Mrs. Calvin Gunn's.
Francis avenue, east side, near West street foot bridge.
Francis and Columbus avenues.
Francis avenue and Union street.
First and Adams streets.
Fenn and Pearl streets.
Fenn and First streets.
Fenn and Second streets.
Fenn and Third streets.
Fenn and Fourth streets.
East Housatonic street, opposite Howard street.
East Housatonic street and Pomeroy avenue.
East Housatonic street and Learned's Lane.
West Housatonic and Center streets.
M'Kay street, opposite Payne's Livery Stable.
North and West streets.
North and School streets.
North and Dunham (old Fenn) streets.
North street, north-west corner of Academy.
North and Melville streets.
North and Linden streets.
North and Orchard Streets.
Orchard and First streets.
South street and Bank Row.
South and Church streets.
South and East Housatonic streets.
South and Reed streets.
South and Broad streets.
Second and Hamlin streets.
Third and Lake streets.
Wendell avenue, near James H. Hinsdale's.
West street, near Russell's Livery.
West street, near Clapp avenue.
West street, near Burbank Hotel.
West street, near west of Burbank Hotel.
West street, south side, near George Briggs.'
Appleton avenue, near Mrs. Gerry Guilds.'
Summer street, near S. T. Whipple's.
Clapp avenue, near E. D. Jones, Sons & Co.'s Foundry.
Maplewood and Wellington avenues.
Kellogg Steam Power Mill, southwest corner.
Appleton avenue.
Foot of Church street, near White's Green house.
School street, in Hose department.
Howard street, near Dunbar building.
B. & A. Yard, southeast corner machine shop, private.

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Merrill & Co.'s planing mill, private.
epot street, north side.
Mill street, near Satinet mill.
Tyler and Barker streets.
Winter street, near D. Kennedy's.
Burbank street, near Silk factory.
Myrtle street, corner Tyler.
North street, near S. N. Russell's.
Wahconah street, west side.
Wahconah street, near Rosenhein's store.
North street, near Monroe & Smith's store.
Onota street, near Gimlich & White's.
Onota street, near Schoolhouse.
High street, near sewer bridge.
Howard street, junction Gold avenue.
Bartlett avenue, west side.
Beaver street, near Stapleton's shop.
Beaver street, near Lyman Reed's.
Terry Clock Co., private.
Newell street.
Second street, near M. Fleming's house.
Silver street.
John street, near John Downs' house.
Columbus avenue, near C. C. Gamwell's.
South street, near High School building.
Pleasure Park, private.
Allen street, near Milnes' livery stable.
Circular avenue, near J. H. Daly's.
Robbins avenue, corner of Prospect street.
Clough street, corner Robbins avenue.
Corner Peck and Parker streets.
Corner Hamlin and First streets.
Corner Linden street and Francis avenue.
Columbus avenue, near American House.
Corner William and Middle streets.
Corner Plunkett and Peck streets.
Corner Lincoln and Cherry streets.
Corner Elizabeth and Buel streets.
Corner East Housatonic and Water streets.
Corner Broad street and Gold avenue.
Corner Seymour and Park streets.
Corner First and Tyler streets.
Corner Second and Lincoln streets.
Corner Daniels and Columbus avenues.
Corner Dawes Avenue near Van Sickler's bridge.
Corner John street and Columbus avenue.
City yard, North Pearl street.

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Alder street and Francis avenue.
Middle street, at Col. Cutting's farm.
Wahconah street, near Rosenhein's.
Corner Robbins avenue and Alder street.
Corner Linden and River streets.
Corner River and Prospect streets.
Corner West and Jordan streets.
Worthington place.
Brown street.
Davis avenue, private.
Corner Stoddard and Pleasure avenues.
Elm street and Root's lane.
Brown lane or Fourth street.
Fourth street and railroad bridge.
Corner Fourth and Lincoln streets.
Corner Spring and Maple streets.
Corner Tyler and Courtland streets.
Square, North, Stoddard and First streets.
Square, North, Burbank and Wahconah streets.
Corner North street and Springside avenue.
Corner North street and Weller avenue.
Corner Weller and Lenox avenues.
Corner Weller and Richmond avenues.
Briggs avenue, near Mrs. Tracy's house.
Corner Lenox and Pontoosuc avenues.
Pontoosuc and Briggs avenues.
Square at Curtin's store.
Corner Wahconah and Alcove streets.
Corner Tyler and Pleasure avenue.
Alcove street.
Between Pontoosuc ave. and Wahconah st., 500 feet apart.
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Corner North and Wahconah streets at King's store.
Pontoosuc schoolhouse.
Pontoosuc boardinghouse.
North street near Charles Harder's.
Corner Bradford street and Robbins avenue.
Corner Lenox avenue and Wahconah street.
Renne avenue at Electric Light Plant.
East end of Beaver street.
Lake avenue, between Onota and View streets.
Lake avenue, corner of View street.
Onota street, corner Linden street.
South Robbins ave., between Divsion st. and Circular ave.

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Henry avenue, corner Elizabeth and Mill streets.
Henry avenue, corner Elizabeth street.
Broad street, opposite Wendell avenue.
Howard street and Dawes avenue.
South street, opposite Mrs. Redfield's.
South street, corner Crofut street.
South street, near Cole's.
South street, near A. B. Stevens'.
South street, South Mountain street.
Taylor street.
Taylor street.
Peck's Lower Mill.
Peck's Road.
Peck's Road.
Pleasant street.
Middle street, near N. A. Mills'.
William street, near Sampson's.
Wendell avenue.
Robbins avenue.
Corner Charles and Wahconah streets.
Charles street.
King street, about 500 feet north of Linden street.
King street, about 500 feet north of above hydrant.
King street, about 500 feet north of above hydrant.
Linden street, corner Daniels avenue (Ayers' hydra n .
Linden street, corner Robbins avenue.
Linden street, corner John street.
West street, corner Merriam street.
Merriam street, near Knight's house.
West street, top of Briggs' Hill.
West street, near Crook farm.
Merriam street (south).
Elm street, corner Commonwealth avenue.
Commonwealth avenue, near Dr. Wentworth's.
Commonwealth avenue, between Dr. Wentworth's & Dawes.
Peck's Road, near Russell Schoolhouse.
Peck's Road, near Catholic cemetery gate.
Kellogg street, corner Forest place.
Kellogg street, corner Dalton avenue.
Dalton avenue, corner Tyler street.
Forest place, corner Tyler street.
Dalton avenue, corner Harvard street.
Dalton avenue, corner Westminster street.
Dalton avenue, corner Dartmouth street.
Dalton avenue, corner Benedict road.
Harvard street, near Fred Taylor's house.
Tyler street, corner Benedict road.

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Tyler street, near Beach street.
Tyler street between Beach street and E. H. Nash's.
Tyler street near E. H. Nash's.
Elm street near Charles Read's.
Elm street near Thomas Eels.
Elm street near Pleasure Park.
Jail yard, (private.)
North street near Merrill's driveway.
North street near Bradford street.
North street, corner Madison avenue.
Brenton Terrace, corner Beach Grove avenue.
Oxford street, corner Brenton Terrace.
Crofut street near Frank Welsh's.
West Housatonic, corner Merriam street.
New West street near railroad.
Allen street near engine house.
Clapp avenue near F. G. Guilds' office.

LOCATION OF TANKS.

West End of Park—Gate cover 21 feet east of north tank cover and 6 feet north of Park coping. Turn to right to open, left to shut. Circular 30x14½, capacity 76,666 gallons.

South Street—Near southwest corner of W. G. Backus Sons' store. Cicular 12x8, capacity 6,500 gallons.

South Street—Near residence of Dr. A. M. Smith. Circular 12x8, capacity 6,500 gallons.

Church Street—Near northeast corner of South. Circular 25x9, capacity 21,000 gallons.

West Street—Near northeast corner Gamwell & Co.'s block. Circular 20x9, capacity 21,000 gallons.

North Street—Near southeast corner of Burbank's lower brick block. Circular 12x8, well 3½x8, capacity 7,300 gallons.

North Street—Near southeast corner Goodrich block. Oval, 20 feet long, 12 feet wide, 6 feet depth of water, well 4½x7, capacity 10,000 gallons. Entrance to tank for repairs 13½ feet east of tank cover.

North Street—Near Melville Street. Circular 24x11. Capacity 35,000 gallons. Gate in tank. Turn to right to open, left to shut.

Melville Street—Near North Street. Circular 20x7, capacity 16,500 gallons.

Fenn Street—Near corner of Second Street. Circular 12x8, capacity 6,500 gallons.

West Street—Near Mrs. E. Clapp's. Circular 24x9½, capacity 32,200 gallons.

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LIST OF FIRES,

DATE OF FIRE.	BOX AND TIME.	CLASS.	HOW OCCUPIED.	OWNER.	OCCUPANT.	VALUE OF
Feb. 6.	36, 2.38 a. m.	Brick.	Cracker Factory.	Teeling Baking Co. Sprague, M. V., A.		$20,000
" 7.	41, 6.42 p. m.	Wood.	Shirt Factory.	J. & C. T., Heirs.	Sprague Brimmer Co.	5,500
" 7.		Brick.	Barn and Shop.	J. D. Shearer.	J. D. Shearer.	3,000
" 7.		Wood.	Coal Shed.	Jacob Gimlich.	None.	2,000
" 14.	53, 10.15 p.m.	Wood.	Dwelling.	Peter W. Scharley.	H. Dudley, E. Allen. N. Albert.	1,600
" 14.				" " "	H. Dudley.	
" 14.				" " "	Louis Albert.	
" 14.				" " "	Elizabeth Allen.	
" 17.	Tel. 5.30 p.m.	Wood.	Barn.	Barker Estate.	C. D. Beebe.	500
April 8.	41, 5 45 p. m.	Brick.		C. Quackenbush.	Academy of Music.	65,000
May 12	42, 9.30 p. m.	Wood.	Store.	L. Waite.	A. C. Chamberlin.	750
" 17.	62, 5.30 p. m.	Wood.	Barn.	Frank Kelly.	Frank Kelly.	250
June 27.	54, 10.30 p.m.	Wood.	Dwelling.	Geo. N. Hopkins.	Henry Murray.	3,500
" 28.					" "	
" 28.	Still Alarm.	Brick.	Saloon.	C. Quackenbush.	Cullen & Fleming.	65,000
July 11.	38, 2.45 a. m.	Wood.	Barn.	John Collins.		300
			House.	" "		1,600
			Barn.	M. McNeice.		400
" 13.	No Alarm.	Wood.	Dwelling.	C. Kelley.	M. Larkin.	1,200
	Tel. Alarm.	Wood.	Barn.	Samuel Payne.		150
Aug. 6.	No Alarm.	Wood.	Barn.	Edward Weller.		700
	" "	Wood.	Barn.	Robert Parker.		1,500
	" "			Charles D. Beebe.		850
		O. W. Kellogg				
" 12.	Tel. Alarm.	Shoe Co.	Dwelling.	O. W. Robbins.	Fred Tuggey.	2,000
" 17.	" "	Br'k and W'd	Boiler House.	J. E. Merrill.	C. E. Merrill.	2,250
Oct. 8.		Wood.	Dwelling.	Jennie S. Sykes.		800
" 17.	35, 8.35 a. m.	Brick.	Carpenter Shop.	T. R. Glentz.		2,000
" 18.	31, 4.08 a. m.	Wood.	Cider Mill.	John Downs & Co.		810
" 26.	No Alarm.	Wood.	Dwelling.	Chatham Furn.' Co		1,000
" 26.	41, 7.32 p. m.	Wood.	Carpenter Shop.	Z. A. Ward.		2,000
				" " "	Pittsfield Electric Co.	
				" " "	A. Kirk.	
		Wood.			M. Boudwoin.	
Nov. 11.	23, 10.15 a.m.		Wood Shed.	Coughlin & Welsh.		1,200
		Wood.	Dwelling.	George Houle.		1,500
		Wood.	Barn.	Dennis Gladu.		225
		Wood.		Pittsfield Electric Co		
Dec. 15.	No Alarm.	Wood.	Dwelling.	I. R. Lawson.	H. Cummings.	600
" 19.	26, 12.43 p.m.	Wood.	Machine Shop.	Pomeroy Woolen Co	Unoccupied.	800
" 30.	Still Alarm.	Wood.	Dwelling.	Mrs. M. Mercer.	Mrs. M. O'Brien.	3,000
						191,985

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LOSSES, ETC.

DAMAGE TO.	INSURANCE UPON.	INSURANCE PAID.	VALUE OF	DAMAGE TO.	INSURANCE UPON.	INSURANCE PAID.	TOTAL OR PARTIAL LOSS.	CAUSE OF FIRE.
$ 60	$ 18,000	$ 60	$ 15,000		$14,000		Partial.	Roof over oven, over-heated.
5,000	4,500	4,500	27,325	$1,496	46,000	$21,496	"	From defective chimney in closet.
35	2,520	35					"	Hole in roof from Sprague & Brimmer.
8	1,500	8					"	Damage from Sprague & Brimmer fire.
457	1,550	457	457				"	
			1,000	750	2,000	526	"	Kerosene lamp tipped over.
			500	32	300	32	"	
			800	700	500	500	"	
500	None.		733	733	800	733	Total.	Incendiary.
75	55,000	75			500	15	Partial.	Gas Stove, Charity Ball.
50	None.		1,000	500	1,000	500	"	Unknown.
175	200	175	50	None.			"	Children and matches.
1,386	2,500	1,386					"	Tramps.
			500	300	None.		"	
10	55,000	10	4,500	165	4,000	165	"	Gas jet in ignited ceiling.
300	200	200	5	5	100	5	Total.	Unknown.
40	1,500	40	700	None.			"	Paint blistered from barn fire.
400	300	300	None.				"	Fired from J. Collins barn.
45	1,000	45	500	None.	None.		Partial.	Struck by lightning.
6	100	6	25	None.	None.		"	Sparks from engine.
700	500	500	1,000	1,000	None.		Total.	Struck by lightning.
540	1,000	540	1,000	62	500	62	Partial.	" " "
850	700	700	1,000	365	800	250	"	" " "
14	1,800	14	750	25	None.		"	Explosion of gasoline stove.
27	2,250	27					"	Sparks from boiler.
800	600	600	400	300	350	300	"	Defective flue.
30	1,800	30	1,500	None.	1,200	None.	"	Spark from boiler.
700	1,866	700	945	828	1,134	828		
1,000	700	Ins.' not	adjusted				Total.	Unknown.
1,300	1,600	1,300	6,400	2,225	5,120	2,225	Partial.	Incendiary.
			16	16	16	16	"	Electric light meter.
			160	55		55	"	
			100	100	100	100	"	Carpenters' tools.
300	1,000	300	700	500	1,000	90	"	Incendiary.
140	1,200	140	750		500		"	Damage from Coughlin & Walsh.
20	200	20	None.				"	" " " "
			235	235	235	235	"	Electric machinery.
50	200	50	300	100	None.		"	Defective flue.
150	700	150					"	Sparks from engine.
	2,500		2,000	None.	1,500	None.		Carelessness of plumbers.
15,168	162,486	12,368	69,894	30,492	82,155	28,183		

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FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

LOCATION OF BOXES.

Box No.	4.	Taconic Mill.
"	5.	Wahconah street, opposite Bel Air Mill.
"	6.	Pontoosuc Mf'g Co.'s Mill.
"	7.	S. N. & C. Russell Mill.
"	8.	J. L. & T. D. Peck Mf'g Co.'s Upper Mill.
"	9.	Wahconah street, opposite Richmond avenue.
"	14.	South street, opposite Mrs. Redfield's.
"	15.	Pomeroy avenue, near East street.
"	16.	East street, opposite Beaver street.
"	17.	East Housatonic street, near Appleton avenue.
"	18.	Corner Appleton avenue and Dawes avenue.
"	19.	Corner Elm street and Newell street.
"	23.	South Church street, opposite Hurlbut Stationery Co.
"	24.	South street, corner East Housatonic street.
"	25.	West Housatonic street, opposite Mill street.
"	26.	Mill street, near Pomeroy's Upper Mill.
"	27.	West street, corner New West street.
"	28.	South street, corner West street.
"	29.	Elizabeth street, corner Buel street.
"	31.	Linden street, corner River street.
"	32.	Columbus avenue, opposite John street.
"	34.	Corner West and River streets.
"	35.	Depot street, opposite McKay street.
"	36.	Corner Columbus and Daniels avenues.
"	37.	Corner Bradford street and Francis avenue.
"	38.	Corner North and Orchard streets.
"	39.	North street and Maplewood avenue.
"	324.	Onota street near Lake avenue.
"	41.	North street, corner School street.
"	42.	North street, opposite Whelden's block.
"	43.	Corner Fenn street and Pearl street.
"	45.	Corner Fenn street and Fourth street.
"	46.	Corner Maplewood and Wellington avenues.
"	47.	Brown street, opposite Curtis street.
"	48.	Burbank street, opposite Spring street.
"	52.	Corner Lake and Second streets.
"	53.	Corner Myrtle and Tyler streets.
"	54.	Beaver street.
"	56.	Corner Pomeroy avenue and Broad street.
"	62.	Corner Kent Avenue and Seymour streets.
"	75.	House of Mercy, (private.)
"	85.	Home for Aged Women, (private.)

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REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF HEALTH.

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REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF HEALTH.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council:

The Board of Health respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31st, 1896.

The indiscriminate dumping of rubbish by the road side by many people as well as the public truckmen has been a source of many complaints.

PUBLIC EXCAVATOR.

There seems to prevail general satisfaction in the work of caring for night soil and cesspools.

Amount of Solids, 10,212.
" " Fluids, 11,027.

PUBLIC DUMPING GROUND.

The necessity of the removal of the present dump is too well known to enter into another year with it in the locality where it now exists. Every effort will be made to provide a suitable place and we earnestly request the co-operation of the police in carrying out the regulations in regard to this matter. The city must maintain a dumping ground until it provides more modern methods of disposal of its refuse. Every effort has been made to take the best possible care of the dumping ground by drawing ashes and gravel and covering and by burning all waste possible.

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The Board has held 52 regular meetings and 27 special meetings. Two cases of burials without permits by city undertakers have taken place; these parties have been called before the Board and the complaints sent to the City Attorney.

One case of selling fowls not drawn was reported and the parties notified not to offer or sell same till drawn.

The Board would call your attention to the excessive use of water in sprinkling our streets. This and the dense foliage is the cause of many of our thoroughfares being simple mud holes and propagators of disease.

Hog cholera still continues among the herds here. The cases are not reported and will not be for the reason that the Cattle Commissioners do not pay for loss of same as in the past. It has been reported to this Board that one man alone has had in the past year 30 cases in his drove, the principal food of this drove being city swill. At this late day no positive proof can be obtained against the parties.

A number of complaints against butchers in this city have been made that they drive their cattle to adjoining towns for slaughter when our city affords good facilities for same. No reason for this can be given other than that they desire to avoid the work of our inspector. A case of bringing cattle from without the state to this city for slaughter without first placing the same in quarantine as provided by law and all evidence of facts submitted to the Commissioners. These cattle were slaughtered in this city and both found to be suffering with tuberculosis. They were destroyed. The Commissioners took no action in regard to the same.

Adulteration of food stuffs and confectionery should have a thorough inspection in this city by the State Inspector. Hundreds of pounds of so called candy are sold annually to children that are adulterations of the worst form. These are not goods manufactured in this city.

DRAINS MAINTAINED BY THE CITY.

The section of the city bounded by Center, New West, and South Church Streets,contains several open drains, into which

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drainage, sewage, and a great amount of refuse enters. This originally was a natural water way until converted by the town government. In the near future some form of permanent drain system must be provided for this part of the city and should receive the consideration of the Board of Public Works.

NUISANCES.

There were 188 nuisances reported during the year past. These were investigated. A number of legal notices were served.

Surface water in cellar,	6
Manure and compost,	4
Overflowing cesspools,	40
Privy vaults,	60
Open drains,	12
Rubbish, ashes and swill,	9
Sewage in cellars,	3
Stagnant water,	2
Henneries and pig pens,	7
Dead animals,	30
Rubbish dumping,	15
Houses vacated on account of defective plumbing,	2

Both of these buildings have been put in a sanitary condition, the old plumbing removed, and re-plumbed according to the city ordinance.

Two buildings have been found connected with the new system of sewage still maintaining unsanitary plumbing, old style traps and no ventilation; these have been re-plumbed.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

There has been an excess of contagious diseases the past year over the year of 1895. Scarlet fever has been less, only 9 cases having been reported, all of which recovered. During the months from April to August measles was rampant, 105 cases occuring in those four months out of a total of 117 cases reported for the year The Board found itself quite unable to

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check, to any great degree, this disease as many families having it gave "home treatment," not calling a physician, and thus no report of such cases would reach this Board, the patients being allowed to mix with other children, spreading the contagion. It is probable that not more than half the cases of measles occurring in the city were reported. Only one fatality occurred from this disease.

The most serious trouble has been from diphtheria. The first case was reported in March, during which month 5 cases appeared; April had 4; May only 1; in June 7 cases; in July 18 cases occurred; in August 14. Immediately after the opening of schools for the fall term the disease appeared in Lower Barkerville. The Board at once visited that district and found three houses infected, located within a few yards of each other. This outbreak appears to have started with a family having eleven children, the fact of its existence having been kept secret until the other neighbors' families were infected That region was quarantined at once and all children from the infected district ordered to be kept from school. After three weeks these children were allowed to resume attendance at school, and immediately the disease began to spread. Children living remotely from each other were attacked. It appeared to this Board that the association at school only could account for the manner of this second appearance, and the school was closed. The epidemic stopped at once and no further cases appearing, the school was re-opened after disinfecting the school house and destroying such articles as were most likely to be infected. This seemed to be efficient treatment and no more cases were reported in that locality until in December, when an outbreak simultaneously in four families occurred, no less than thirteen cases appearing at once. Immediate and stringent quarantine was placed on the infected houses and no more cases occurred in that region. In September 25 cases occurred in the city. During October 17, November 5, and in December 21, a total of 117 cases.

In most instances the cause of the outbreak has been discovered and at once corrected. One family of seven children were infected by the disease being brought home by the

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mother who, disregarding the quarantine, went to assist her sister who was afflicted with the disease, believing it was not contagious. Seven cases occurred in this family including the mother. We believe she is now converted in her views.

One practice in our schools is without doubt a fruitful method of transmitting the infection and we have reason to believe was instrumental in spreading contagion at the Stearnsville school. We refer to the method of collecting pencils used by pupils during the day and passing them out indiscriminately the following day. We trust that the school authorities will order this practice permanently discontinued as pernicious in its effects. When a pupil is reported as sick with scarlet fever or diphtheria, the books used by such pupil should at once be burned. Most cases appearing in the immediate city have been sporadic and no epidemic form has appeared The quarantine notice has generally been sufficient to keep neighborhood associations at bay so that no house to house infection has developed.

The Board has for the past year furnished antitoxin to cases needing it. Where used it has given great satisfaction and undoubtedly has saved many lives. The greater number of fatal cases were those where this remedy was not used or its use neglected until the disease had advanced too far to get its peculiar effect. All cases of membraneous croup are classed as diphtheritic and should be reported as such. At least one case of croup was treated by antitoxin and apparently a life saved by its timely use.

TUBERCULOSIS.

The Board, with the assistance of our Inspector of Cattle, has kept up the work for the eradication from our city of tuberculosis in cattle. Our theory is that this disease in the human family is caused more frequently and to greater degree from infection through food and milk than from inheritance. One may inherit a *tendency* to this disease, by weak lungs, or digestion, but may never develop tuberculosis unless the seeds are planted from without through food under cooked, or milk.

For the year 1895 there were 50 deaths from this disease in a total of 354, or one in every 7 from all causes. Had such

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fatality occurred from any other infectious or contagious disease the people would have been panic stricken in fear. With this disease, however, the people seem to regard the inevitably fatal issue as a matter of fate from which it is useless to attempt escape, making little or no effort to allay the cause without official demands. For the past three years this Board has been untiring in the efforts to clear out from all herds of cattle, especially those furnishing the public with milk, all diseased animals. This effort on our part has met with obstacles not only on the part of cattle owners, but from higher authority back of us. However, after nearly decimating the milk-giving portions of our herds, the excellent report of the Inspector shows the herds of this city to be practically free from this trouble. We do not think it claiming too much to say that we have as clean, if not the cleanest herd, as any city or town in the state. Since our report of last year, we have had many inquiries from different parts of the United States as to our methods of handling this disease.

The mortuary report of this year gives only 31 cases of death from diseases which might be construed as coming from tubercular affections. This decrease from last year may or may not be a result of our labors to wipe out the disease from cattle. We believe it has had at least some effect, and look for still further decrease as years go by and cases already affected are eliminated from our list. Tuberculosis may not be a curable disease, but it is preventable. We desire to make our city free from it and desire the co-operation and assistance of the people to bring about such results.

During the past year we have kept close watch on all beef cattle for slaughter and from one source have found five head for slaughter suffering from tuberculosis. These were found unfit for food on account of disease and destroyed. As these cattle came from one dairy outside of the city limits, every effort was brought to bear to have the owner submit his herd to the tuberculin test. The herd consisted of (41) forty-one head. These, by consent of the owner, were submitted to the test, and all but four of the entire herd showed evidence of disease. These were, by order of the Cattle Commissioners, sent to Brighton for slaughter, in all making forty-two dis-

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eased. This herd had been inspected at different times by their local inspector, who pronounced them all right without the test. This only goes to show how little can be done by incompetent inspectors and without the proper modes of testing.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

It is to be regretted that one school building should be made the store-house for all the old books from all other schools in the city. These old books, as soon as unfit for use, should be destroyed *at once*. The general collection and distribution of pencils at night and morning should be done away with and each child should have its own pencil to be kept in its own desk. The general drinking cup should be a thing of the past as it is a source of danger. Each child should have a cup of its own as is the case in many schools. It was shown by a recent investigation in this state that the general drinking cup in a public school was the source of contagion and the source was to be done away with. The floors of school houses should be washed oftener than once in two months, as is now the custom. School floors should be sprinkled with moistened sawdust and properly swept with brooms not brushes.

The causes of deaths and number from each cause for the past year is as follows:

Alcoholism,	1	Iliocolitis,	21
Accident,	22	Indigestion,	1
Apoplexy,	19	Inanition,	3
Abscess of Neck,	1	Locomotor Ataxia,	1
Abscess of Liver,	2	La Grippe,	1
Abscess of Pelvis,	1	Meningitis,	6
Bronchitis,	25	" Spinal,	3
Bright's Disease,	5	" Cerebral,	4
Congestion of Liver,	3	Measles,	1
Cancer,	10	Marasmus,	13
Cellulitis,	1	Nervous Exhaustion,	1
Cerebritis,	5	Nephritis,	1
Cirrhosis,	1	Old Age,	14
Convulsions,	4	Paralysis,	4
Cholera Morbus,	1	Paresis,	1
Cystitis,	2	Premature Birth,	6
Diarrhœa and Dysentery,	2	Peritonitis,	9
Diabetes,	1	Pericarditis,	1
Diphtheria and Croup,	14	Pneumonia,	33

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Epilepsy,	2	Phthisis,	20
Enteritis,	4	Puerperal Convulsions,	1
Endocarditis,	2	Puerperal Fever,	1
Fever, Bilious.	1	Rheumatism,	3
Fever, Intermittent,	1	Suicide,	1
Fever, Typhoid,	10	Stillborn,	26
Gangrene,	2	Septicaemia,	6
Gastro Enteritis,	1	Tuberculosis,	11
Heart Disease,	24	Trismus Mascentium,	1
Heart Failure,	8	Unclassified,	12

Brought into town for burial, 79
Taken from town for burial, 77

Respectfully Submitted,

S. C. BURTON, M. D.,
M. L. WOODRUFF, M. D.,
GEO. A. PREDIGER,
} Board of Health.

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REPORT

OF THE

Inspector of Milk and Cattle.

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REPORT

OF THE

Inspector of Milk and Cattle.

To the Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Council, Pittsfield, Mass.:

I herewith submit the report of my work as your inspector for the year 1896.

In addition to the slaughter house and milk inspections, the work for the year has comprised a complete inspection of all the herds, both dairy and other, owned in the city.

In regard to tuberculosis, I am glad to be able to report a very satisfactory condition of things. Practically all of our dairy herds are absolutely free from disease, and with the exception of two or three herds, belonging to private individuals, who have refused competent investigation, the disease may be said to be non-existent in our city.

While we may congratulate ourselves that our internal milk supply is at least derived from wholesome sources, it is a matter for regret that the produce derived from outlying towns, where no thorough investigations have been conducted, must be looked on with grave suspicion. Within the past two weeks the owners of an out of town herd, from which the House of Mercy has been receiving its milk supply, requested me to ascertain the condition of their animals by applying the tuberculin test. It resulted in revealing the appalling fact that thirty-five (35) out of forty-one (41), or approximately 88 per cent of the animals were suffering from tuberculosis. In justice to the owners of this herd it remains to be said that comparatively recently they had the animals inspected by a local veterinarian and their local town inspector, who without testing them pronounced them free from disease.

For some time past I have been endeavoring to have the milk dealers from out of town follow the example of the dairy-

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men of Pittsfield and submit their herds to the tuberculin test; but while I have not received absolute denial from any, yet at the same time I have met with very little encouragement from them. Considering that every one of the Pittsfield dairymen have already submitted to this system of inspection, and considering that the state pays full value for the animals condemned, there seems to be no reasonable excuse why dealers from the surrounding towns should not conform to the system which has been found so efficient in our own city.

At a later date it might be well for you to instruct your inspector to refuse to renew the licenses of dealers who cannot show satisfactory evidence that their herds are free from disease.

As to the quality of the milk supply, I submit the following report, which was made the subject of a special bulletin last September.

PITTSFIELD'S YEARLY MILK BILL.

By statistics compiled from the returns made by the licensed dairymen for the year 1895, it is estimated that the average daily sale of milk in this city amounts to 5162 quarts the year round. This at an average price of five and a half cents per quart makes the sum of $283.91 per day, or $103,627.15 per year, which the citizens of Pittsfield pay for milk.

This amount according to the sources of supply is distributed as follows:

City of Pittsfield,	$59,622 75
Town of Washington,	13,189 27½
Town of Lanesboro,	16,060 00
Town of Dalton,	7,327 37½
Town of Lenox,	5,018 75
Town of Richmond,	2,409 00
Total,	$103,627 15

Considering that milk is such an universal article of diet, and considering the large monetary interests involved, no apology need be offered for requiring that the article supplied shall be pure and wholesome, and of fair standard quality.

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In line with this object your inspector, on the 20th of August, endeavored to make a complete test of the milk of every licensed dealer in the city.

Owing to the difficulty in collecting samples, it was found impossible to reach every dealer in one day, but a quart of milk was obtained from each of thirty-two of the dairymen, and each sample was immediately thereafter subjected to the Babcock test. The standard required by law is that milk shall contain not less than a total of thirteen per cent. solids.

There is no legal standard for cream, but experts find that average milk from the average cow contains $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. of butter fats.

TABLE GIVING RESULTS OF BABCOCK TESTS OF THIRTY-TWO SAMPLES OF MILK.

Over 13 per cent. solids,	9 samples.
Over 12 " " "	15 "
Over 11 " " "	6 "
Under 11 " " "	2 "
Total,	32

From the above table it will be seen that there is room for considerable improvement in quality of the milk retailed in our city. Dealers selling milk below standard have been duly notified, and their produce will be subjected to further supervision until brought up to the required standard.

N. B.—It is important that the contents of the milk cans should be frequently stirred while being retailed in small quantities. The following quotation from the report of Mr. George M. Whittaker of the State Dairy Bureau coincides with my experience in several instances in Pittsfield:

"In one or two cases where milk of very poor quality was found, the inspector on a second visit got milk of much higher quality, in one case almost cream, showing that the dealer had been careless in mixing the milk, giving some customers cream from the top of the tank, while others got skim milk from the bottom."

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Stock owners resident in Pittsfield can at any time have their milk tested free of charge. All that is necessary is to supply a quart of milk in a clean bottle.

To this report, I have to add that subsequent tests of milk from sources where the standard was lowest have shown a more satisfactory quality of milk.

During the year I have received for milk licenses the sum of $21.00. These fees are the property of the city and my cheque for this amount has to-day been deposited with the City Treasurer.

TABLE SHOWING YEAR'S WORK.

No. of live animals inspected,	1568
No. of live animals condemned,	6
No. of carcasses condemned,	3
No. of milk licenses granted,	42
No. of tests of milk made,	45
No. of complaints investigated,	3
Amount of milk license fees paid to City Treasurer,	$21.00

GEORGE N. KINNELL, Inspector.

Jan. 5, 1897.

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REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEERS of the POOR.

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REPORT

OF THE

Overseers of the Poor.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council of the City of Pittsfield.

The Board of Overseers of the Poor respectfully submit their sixth annual report ending Dec. 31st, 1896.

The Board was organized February the fifth, 1896, by electing John W. Clark chairman and William Dimick clerk and superintendent.

There has been an unusually large demand for aid the past year, owing largely to the business depression, which still continues, and large numbers of unemployed persons, many of them with large families, have been compelled from sheer necessity to apply to this Board for temporary aid.

The Overseers have never refused to aid the worthy unfortunate, but have aided willingly and cheerfully.

The inmates at the Almshouse have been well supplied with wholesome food, and the sick and infirm have been given every attention necessary for their comfort, and we are satisfied that the home comfort will compare favorably with any similar institution in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaw and their assistants are untiring in their efforts for the comfort of those committed to their care.

A new barn has been built, 64 by 45 feet, two stories high, containing horse and cow stables and carriage house, at an expense of $3,700.

We would call the attention of the City Council to the importance of connecting the Almshouse by telephone. In case of sickness or fire,as well as at other times,it would be a great convenience.

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We would urge upon the City Council the importance of a better water supply. Several weeks the past summer water had to be carted from brooks for washing, leaving no surplus in case of fire. The City has too much property exposed without some adequate protection.

The Board of Public Works have given the Overseers of the Poor the use of the Burbank Park for the present, to fertilize and cultivate and raise crops, which will add materially to the supply of milk, which is so essential in such an institution.

The following statements and tables of the Clerk and Supt. of Almshouse, will show the number of City, Town and State paupers. Receipts and disbursements in detail.

The number employed at the Almshouse is five, as follows:

William Shaw, warden, $650.00 and living.

C. W. Kilmer, assistant, $42 per month.

David Price, night watchman, $18 per month.

Assistant matron for female insane, $20 per month.

Assistant in kitchen $16 per month.

Total per year, $1802.00.

JOHN W. CLARK,
WILLIAM NUGENT, } Overseers of the Poor.

The total number receiving aid, outside of the Almshouse, during the year ending Dec. 31 was 793,a much larger number than any previous year. Of this number 140 families of 486 persons were settled and living in this city; 40 families of 128 persons had legal settlements in other cities and towns; 30 families of 127 persons had no legal settlement in this Commonwealth; 6 families of 30 persons, wife and children were settled in this city, the husbands had no settlement in the state.

During the year there were 17 persons at Insane Hospital, 9 remaining Dec. 31. Seven children were in St. Vincent Moutain Home and were there Dec. 31.

There was one at the Cottage Hospital for children at Baldwinville, and was there Dec. 31.

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The total expense for all the different classes was $11,241.58, exceeding any previous year in the history of the city.

There have been 78 different inmates at the Almshouse during the year, 32 the whole year, 24 insane or idiotic, and 29 sane at the close of the year.

JOHN W. CLARK,
WILLIAM NUGENT,
C. D. BEEBE,
} Overseers of the Poor.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ALMSHOUSE.

By amount appropriated by the City Council,		$5,500 00
Monthly expenses as follows:		
January,	$365 69	
February,	308 81	
March,	222 72	
April,	627 34	
May,	372 15	
June,	589 85	
July,	825 78	
August,	363 20	
September,	360 13	
October,	472 22	
November,	560 58	
December,	417 09	
To unexpended balance,	14 44	
	$5,500 00	$5,500 00
Total expense for the year,		$5,485 56
Credit for Board as follows, to wit:		
Katie O'Connell,	$72 00	
Peter Reid,	88 07	
Stephen Basone,	2 25	
Charles Baker,	4 50	
Town of Cheshire,	17 68	
Mrs. E. J. Curtiss,	20 25	
John Churchill, guardian,	113 45	
Cash receipts,	$318 20	318 20
		$5,167 36

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FINANCIAL REPORT OF OUTDOOR POOR.

To amount appropriated by the City Council,		$9,500 00
Transferred from miscellaneous account,		1,400 00
Amount expended monthly as follows:		
January,	$956 01	
February,	725 20	
March,	1,394 30	
April,	778 23	
May,	526 63	
June,	1,158 88	
July,	661 07	
August,	667 29	
September,	1,180 29	
October,	894 43	
November,	843 09	
December,	1,456 16	
To amount overdrawn,		341 58
Total amount expended,	$11,241 58	$11,241 58
Credits as follows:		
From the State Treasury,	$581 08	
" " Town of East Longmeadow,	51 58	
" " " " Becket,	101 81	
" " " " Washinghton,	131 74	
" " " " Great Barrington,	45 80	
" " " " Hardwick,	111 90	
" " " " Douglas,	4 00	
" " " " Williamstown,	43 98	
" " " " Adams,	25 80	
" " " " Chester,	3 25	
" " " " Lenox,	92 44	
" " " " Sheffield,	51 22	
" " " " West Stockbridge,	81 08	
" " " " Dalton,	63 87	
" " " " Westboro,	2 05	
" " " " Lanesboro,	5 00	
" " City " Chicopee,	8 61	
" " " " Quincy,	56 20	
" " " " Northampton,	160 62	
Persons, J. A. Maxim,	4 60	
Individuals,	8 20	
Reimbursed by friends of insane,	52 00	
" John Churchill, guardian of S. G. Reynolds,	35 86	
Town of Hancock,	4 10	

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Amounnt of credits,		$1,726 79
Net cost for the year,		$9,514 79
Total expense, including outdoor and Almshouse, as follows:		
Outdoor poor,		$11,241 58
Almshouse,		5,485 56
City Physician,		500 00
Superintendent of Poor,		700 00
Credits from outdoor poor,	$ 1,726 79	
" " Almshouse,	318 20	
Amount to balance,	15,882 15	
	$17,927 14	$17,927 14

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AMOUNTS PAID FOR OUTDOOR POOR IN THE DIFFERENT CLASSES.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apl.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.
Settled in this city,	481 94	543 38	595 08	547 31	376 43	429 02	377 18	428 19	519 42	499 16	487 94	643 80	5928 85
Living in other towns and aided by the city,	6 00	6 00	19 00	6 00	6 00	19 00	6 00	6 00	19 14	6 00	6 00	30 17	135 31
Paid other towns for aid of persons settled in this city,	230 62	7 63	52 07			34 05	88 65	18 96		163 78	29 70	46 86	672 32
Paid for families settled in other cities and towns,	86 55	69 54	118 65	98 50	73 40	56 91	113 86	84 14	107 59	89 16	122 92	125 92	1147 03
Persons not having any settlement in Commonwealth,	119 05	81 30	56 95	89 20	53 58	71 72	49 43	113 58	117 41	114 77	170 36	116 43	1153 78
Transient persons, no Commonwealth,	1 00	3 00		6 32	1 67	12 14	1 95	7 19		5 63	9 25	2 82	50 87
Husband not settled, wife and children settled in this city,	3 85	2 35	8 40	18 90	15 55	13 23	6 00	9 23	12 76	15 93	16 92	27 38	150 50
Insane,			544 15			472 41			376 97			384 39	1777 92
St. Vincent Mountain Home for Children,	27 00	12 00		12 00		50 50	18 00		27 00			78 50	225 00
	956 01	725 20	1394 30	778 23	526 63	1158 88	661 07	667 29	1180 29	894 43	843 09	1456 16	11241 58

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OUTDOOR POOR TABLE.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apl.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.
Provisions,	192 25	208 50	300 50	309 75	144 88	170 20	225 00	223 30	252 69	243 00	212 00	282 16	2764 23
Fuel,	214 15	211 15	205 30	109 05	35 80	39 68	32 30	68 94	90 18	149 08	138 93	238 99	1533 55
Cash,	59 00	53 00	69 55	77 90	56 55	86 36	71 00	84 66	68 28	72 00	94 28	74 43	867 01
Rent,	59 00	98 00	69 00	74 50	104 00	84 50	76 50	98 50	124 00	83 50	93 50	136 00	1101 00
Board and Nursing,	63 11	74 80	70 41	79 05	66 41	87 55	78 83	62 41	61 27	67 84	113 19	76 16	901 03
Clothing and Shoes,	20 00	5 25	20 25	19 00	19 86	12 39	6 50	12 50	29 00	10 50	15 00	14 00	184 25
Aided persons living in other Cities and Towns,	6 00	6 00	19 00	6 00	6 00	19 00	6 00		19 14	6 00	6 00	30 17	129 31
Paid Cities and Towns for aid of Paupers,	230 62	7 67	52 07			34 05	66 38	18 96		163 78	29 70	46 86	650 05
Burials,	18 00	18 00	19 00	15 00		10 00	7 00	53 06	47 00	30 00	34 80	10 00	261 80
Medicine,	47 30	24 50	24 15	52 30	83 30	78 20	45 90	26 15	51 97	46 55	93 05	62 30	635 67
Transportation,	5 28	4 00		18 32	1 47	13 51		12 35	14 47	17 00	11 19	3 37	100 96
" Tewksbury,					3 88	3 93		3 63	14 86	3 63			29 93
St. Vincent Home, Holyoke,	27 00	12 00		12 00		50 50	34 27		27 00			93 36	256 13
Insane at Hospitals,			544 15			466 16			376 97			384 39	1771 67
Miscellaneous,	14 30	2 37	92	5 36	4 48	2 85	11 39	2 89	3 46	1 55	1 45	3 97	54 99
	956 01	725 20	1394 30	778 23	526 63	1158 88	661 07	667 29	1180 29	894 43	843 09	1456 16	11241 58

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ALMSHOUSE TABLE.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.
Provisions and Supplies,	143 36	15 18	42 54	39 32	39 22	53 92	35 36	39 66	17 45	114 08	35 85	62 85	638 79
Meat, Fish,	15 50			33 54	48 04	44 12	24 62	33 82	36 18	46 57	58 43		340 82
Feed,		18 15	17 19	19 44	24 75	8 00	39 60	15 75	14 35	22 50	49 70		229 43
Clothing,		3 50		7 50		4 25				126 26	4 60	34 05	180 16
Shoes,		7 70		6 90		7 75	8 45		14 05		16 50	8 00	69 05
Dry Goods,		18 03		11 28		14 20	16 92	17 29					77 72
House Furnishing Goods,	11 00			9 04		5 20			37 41		11 15		73 80
Hardware, Lumber, Tools,		10 31		9 99	18 58		6 28	18 51	36 96		28 92		129 55
Medicine,	14 20	60		16 20	9 80	22 65	33 40	16 10	17 20	1 55	9 90	30 54	172 14
Burial Expenses,						19 00		19 00					38 00
Repairs, Ordinary,		49 20	80	35 53	51 27	13 92	10 49	41 40	13 80				216 41
" Permanent,		13 78				50 22							64 00
Fuel and Oil,	10 92			10 92		89 16	500 50		8 97		139 57	96 47	856 51
Tobacco,		10 85		6 25		13 60			13 60		16 10		60 40
Fertilizers, Seeds, etc.,				96 27	24 33	5 70							126 30
Labor,	76 24	72 35	73 03	78 00	78 00	78 00	78 00	89 51	78 00	78 00	78 00	78 00	935 13
Night Watchman,	35 00	35 00	35 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	18 00	267 00
Superintendent,	54 16	54 16	54 16	50 16	54 16	54 16	54 16	54 16	54 16	54 16	54 16	54 24	650 00
Miscellaneous,	5 31			175 00	6 00	88 00				11 10	40 00	34 94	360 35
	365 69	308 81	222 72	627 35	372 15	589 85	825 78	363 20	360 13	472 22	560 58	417 09	5485 56

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REPORT

OF

Superintendent of Almshouse.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1896.

To the Honorable Board, the Overseers of the Poor :

The past year I have endeavored to do my best in handling the City's Farm, both in tilling, clearing and fencing.

There has been over 100 rods of wire and about the same of rail fencing put up the past year; besides fences we have torn down, cleared the brush, plowed and pulled the roots. There has been, I should think, from five to six acres of woodland and swamp cleared of underbrush, dead limbs and poor trees

The crops have been exceedingly good. I think the grass. land would be profitably benefitted if fertilizers were used.

Quite a good many expensive articles have been needed, among them a top buggy, mowing machine and a cream separator. Also the large store-house has been newly shingled. The new barn the city saw fit to build has proved very convenient and comfortable. I think it will more than pay for the investment in the comfort of the stock and saving of fodder. We have help in the house of one girl in the kitchen, Mr. Kilmer and Miss Durffe, assistants, and Mr. Price, watchman. We feel they are all deserving much credit for their faithfulness. I think our sick have had the best of medical treatment by Dr. Mercer, who has immediately attended every call, besides numerous other visits.

There have been one birth and five deaths :

Mary Colson, died Jan. 8.
William Malloy, died Feb. 23.

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Emily Combs, died June 22.
Charles Hagar, died July 3.
Annie Lawrence, died Aug. 29.

There have been supported at the Almshouse the whole year 32, part of the year 46, whole number on book, 78.

Our oldest inmate is 84, 11 over 70, 16 over 60.

We wish to thank the Board for their general help and kindness.

MR. AND MRS. WM. SHAW.

1.	Brundage, Sarah,	Insane,	52	Weeks,	2	Days.
2.	Barnfather, William,	"	52	"	2	"
3.	Crane, Nelson,	Sane,	52	"	2	"
5.	Campbell, Mary,	Insane,	52	"	2	"
6.	Combs, Emily,	"	24	"	6	"
7.	Cunningham, Isaac,	"	52	"	2	"
8.	Buckley, Timothy,	"	52	"	2	"
9.	Dunn, Patrick,	"	52	"	2	"
11.	Goodrich, Bradford,	Sane,	52	"	2	"
12.	Hagar, Charles,	Insane,	26	"	3	"
13.	Hoffman, Agnes,	"	52	"	2	"
14.	Klingly, John,	Sane,	52	"	2	"
15.	Lawrence, Annie,	"	34	"	4	"
17.	Meesick, Maggie,	Insane,	52	"	2	"
18.	Mara, Thomas,	"	52	"	2	"
20.	Reid, John,	"	52	"	2	"
21.	Suttle, John,	"	52	"	2	"
22.	Swallow, John,	"	52	"	2	"
23.	Toohey, Lawrence,	Sane,	52	"	2	"
24.	Moss, John,	Weak Mind,	52	"	2	"
25.	Malloy, William,	Sane,	7	"	5	"
26.	Jones, Cinderella,	"	52	"	2	"
27.	Farrell, James,	Insane,	52	"	2	"
29.	Fabricius, James,	Weak Mind,	52	"	2	"
30.	Myers, Carrie,	Sane,	52	"	2	"
31.	Carr, Daisy,	Insane,	52	"	2	"
36.	Graves, Walter,	Weak Mind	52	"	2	"
37.	Price, David,	Sane,	13	"	0	"

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41.	Colson, Mary,	Sane,	1	Weeks,	1	Days.
42.	Conley, Patrick,	"	52	"	2	"
43.	Mara, Patrick,	"	52	"	2	"
51.	Wollison, Solomon,	Weak Mind,	52	"	2	"
60.	Barry, John,	Sane,	52	"	2	"
65.	Martin, Sarah,	"	52	"	2	"
66.	Foster, Moses,	"	12	"	1	"
67.	Daniels, James,	Weak Mind,	52	"	2	"
68.	Bamforth, William,	Sane,	31	"	4	"
70.	Lorange, Frederick	"	45	"	6	"
72.	Basket, Rhoda,	"	52	"	2	"
75.	Frederick, Jacob,	"	52	"	2	"
76.	Grant, Justus,	"	52	"	2	"
78.	Williams, Thomas,	"	10	"	4	"
79.	Reynolds, Samuel,	"	50	"	3	"
80.	Sullivan, Michael,	"	2	"	0	"
81.	Daniels, Peter,	"	10	"	0	"
82.	Canning, Ellen,	Insane,	2	"	4	"
83.	Fraser, Samuel,	Sane,	2	"	5	"
84.	Winchell, Pearl,	Weak Mind,	37	"	6	"
84.	Lally, Margaret,	Insane,	0	"	2	"
86.	Hogan, Maggie,	"	37	"	3	"
87.	Desmond, Timothy,	"	37	"	3	"
88.	Daily, Susan,	Sane,	1	"	2	"
89.	Daily, Charles,	"	1	"	2	"
90.	Daily, Sarah,	"	1	"	2	"
91.	Daily, Albert,	"	1	"	2	"
92.	Richards, Brandon,	"	27	"	6	"
93.	Bagg, Charles,	Weak Mind,	35	"	1	"
94.	Coy, Margaret,	Insane,	27	"	2	"
95.	Ponchat, Susan,	Sane,	26	"	1	"
96.	Whalen, Patrick,	"	26	"	0	"
97.	Marks, Frank,	"	2	"	3	"
32.	Tatro, Lewis,	"	21	"	4	"
98.	Seffans, Bossone,	"	0	"	4	"
99.	Johnson, Irvin,	"	8	"	0	"
100.	Baker, Charles,	Insane,	2	"	1	"
101.	Kirby, Edward,	Sane,	0	"	3	"
102.	Breen, Michael,	Insane,	17	"	4	"

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103.	Saunders, Willie,	Sane,	15	Weeks,	6	Days.
104.	Daly, Catherine,	"	1	"	3	"
105.	Hill, Annie,	"	11	"	1	"
106.	Gore, Mary,	"	9	"	2	"
107.	Doyle, E. J.,	"	8	"	0	"
108.	Winchell, Minerva,	"	8	"	0	"
109.	Hadd, Joseph,	"	7	"	2	"
110.	Hill, Irene,	"	7	"	0	"
111.	Johnson, Jane,	"	1	3	3	"
35.	Church, Rosella,	"	1	"	2	"
38.	Church, Arthur,	"	1	"	2	"
			2308	"	182	"
			26	"	26	"
			2334	"	0	

Appropriation,	$5,500
Cost per head per week,	$2.35

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SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CITY PHYSICIAN.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the City Council.

GENTLEMEN:

CITY ALMSHOUSE.

There has been no sickness in the City Almshouse during the past year, which could in any way be traced to unhealthy conditions of the institution or its surroundings. In the sane department the inmates are mostly all chronic invalids, yet it is wonderful how satisfied and contented these poor people become, and how happy are the last years of their lives after being domiciled in this pleasant home. Besides the salubrity of this asylum, with its pure mountain air and unobstructed sunlight, a system of simple rules, which are kindly, but firmly enforced,combined with a general cheerfulness in its governmeent, contribute largely in eliciting obedience and respect from the inmates. Those persons, therefore,who have the use of their minds, although suffering somewhat from special bodily ailments, are happy indeed when compared with the other class of unfortunates whose mental faculties are beyond the hope of recovery. The assistants, who have particular charge of the male and female insane departments, have the most unenviable of positions amongst the whole range of duties connected with the institution because there are a few members in each of these departments who are not only insane, but also idiotic. These have to be fed, and dressed and treated just like babies, and it can be plainly seen how uninviting some of these duties must be. I have often thought and felt, while witnessing the attendants in the performance of these unpleasant offices, that such services should be very fully com-

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pensated. We have had some deaths occur among the inmates during the past year, but the causes were principally inherent upon old age.

THE WATER SUPPLY AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

We were very much surprised this last summer to find a total failure for two or three weeks of the supply of water from the spring to which is attached the windmill. The lack of supply in the summer of 1895 was not to be wondered at, as a general drought existed all over the country at that time. The history of this spring of water, given by the oldest inhabitants living near it, was that it was never known to have become dry; that it was, in other words, a never failing spring of pure water. This statement, I am inclined to think, might have been true in all particulars, as the demand upon it must have been very limited, previous to the erection of the windmill. With such an account of the quantity and quality of the water, the short distance to the institution, and the pressing need for such an important article as pure water, very naturally all those who were in any way interested with the welfare and connected in the management of the institution, were desirous that some kind of an apparatus should be arranged to convey this water to the Almshouse. Therefore, the advisability and wisdom of erecting a windmill over this spring was urged upon the City Government, and an appropriation was granted for that purpose. The windmill has done its work admirably in forcing the water into the tanks in the building, but other difficulties are now found to exist, which could not be foreseen except by time and use. When it was found that the water had entirely given out in the spring, Mr. Shaw, the Superintendent, had the bed of the spring sunk deeper, thus letting the pipe from the windmill lower down, and hoping by this experiment to get a larger quantity of water. This, however, proved to be a failure, and especially so at that season of the year when the use of it might be most needed for the safety of the institution and its inmates. There is also another defect which cannot be avoided with the present apparatus. It has been observed by Mr. Shaw that there are four or five days in

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each month throughout the year during which there is no wind to give the necessary motor power to the fan of the windmill, and consequently on these days, even with sufficient water in the spring, the institution is completely deprived of it. At such times they have to depend on the small spring from the farm, which only gives them sufficient water for drinking and cooking. When the water from the spring gave out last summer, the supply had to be procured from a stream of water half a mile east of the Almshouse, and although two men with a horse and cart worked daily carrying water, they were not able to adequately supply the demands of the place. The consumption of water at the Almshouse is very large, but this must be expected, when we take into account where and how it has to be used. There are four or more water closets, with as many bath tubs, which has to be flushed, while washing in the laundry occupies four days of every week, and Mr. Shaw informs me, that although the capacity of the two tanks amounts to about eighty barrels, on each day when washing is done this amount is entirely used by four o'clock in the afternoon. The problem which now confronts us is where and how to obtain the necessary supply of water for this institution before next summer. But inasmuch as it has been stated through our city newspapers, even as late as December, 1896, that the Board of Public Works, who have charge of this special branch, were contemplating the laying of pipes through West street, in which to convey water from the West mountain ponds, to supplement the present water supply of the city, perhaps then the City Almshouse can be easily supplied with water from this source, and there will be no need of any future experiments or attempts to increase the supply. This subject, it appears to me, is a most important one, and one which should be given careful attention and consideration.

POLICE STATION.

The city ordinance, establishing the office of City Physician, distinctly states that he shall attend all persons injured or sick who may be brought into the Police Station by any of the officers of the police force. This service has been rendered

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to all such cases, but under most unfavorable and trying circumstances, which year after year we have been hoping would be remedied. The Police Station is made an emergency and accident hospital, in which place must be treated all persons, whether prisoners or not, who are found upon our public streets, wounded or otherwise sick. The classes to which these persons usually belong are from among the poor and unfortunate, generally without money or friends, and includes females as well as males. The cases are mostly of a surgical nature and embrace all imaginable kinds of wounds, which are often filled with gravel, sand, coal dust or other foreign elements, and have to be thoroughly cleansed before they can be dressed. It is often necessary to give an anæsthetic to some of the injured patients in order that their wounds may be properly treated. We have another class of patients, who by their indulgence in liquor or narcotics are made genuine maniacs. It is not uncommon to find, when a case of this kind is brought into the Station House, that the united efforts of three or four officers is necessary to restrain the patient during his period of frenzy, and often this wild delirium continues for the greater part of the night. Now, in the present Police Station, there is no room set apart or to be had as an accident-room, and yet such a room is sadly needed for that special purpose. Some of the unfortunates are so weak from loss of blood, shock or cold that they are unable to sit in a chair while having their wounds dressed, and consequently have to be laid upon blankets on the floor, where they have to remain all night. There is only one small room for the sick, with a single bed in it. This room will barely accommodate one person, and if a female should chance to be in the Station House under arrest, this is the only place to keep her, although at one time four such persons had to be kept there all night. Then again, there should be a couple of cells properly padded, in which might be safely placed those cases suffering from maniacal delirium to which I have already referred. Such a provision would obviate the present poor facilities and enable the officers to perform their patrol duties, instead of having to remain the most of the night in the Police Station guarding a case of this character. In my report to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of

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1894 I mentioned the very bad condition and dangerous crowding of the Station House, as well as the amazing pen-like provisions for the sick and wounded. Mr. John Nicholson, the Chief of Police, in his report of the same year, dwelt very strongly upon the great need there was for a larger building, where the business of his department could be more conveniently transacted. The then acting City Government had plans drawn for an addition to the present building, which, if carried out, would have given better accommodations, at least for a few years; but why this work was never done, I am unable to explain, and as a consequence we have had to go on year after year without any response to our humble petition. The Chief of Police will, I am sure, verify these statements in all their features, and I am led to believe that there is no one among the officials of the city who feels more keenly the want of proper accommodations than he does in this department of the civil service. That such a condition of things should be found to exist in this department in the City of Pittsfield must appear strange to many. In Pitssfield, where culture, refinement, philanthrophy and charity have so many noble advocates, and where liberal provision in office room has been made for every other department where the official business of the city is transacted. The apartments are well lighted and ventilated and furnished with all the modern improvements and conveniences. We do not say this from any invidiousness towards these officers or their accommodations, but rather to illustrate the deplorable conditions under which the police department has to conduct its business and to show the justice of our appeal for better accommodations.

The following represents in tabulated form the doings of this office for the year ending December 31, 1896:

CITY ALMSHOUSE.

Number of visits to City Almshouse,	119
" " persons treated therein,	123
" " deaths occurring therein,	5
" " women attended in childbirth therein,	1

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OUTSIDE AID.

Number receiving professional services,	434
" of professional visits made to same,	2205
" " persons attended at Police Station,	35
" " professional visits made to same,	56
" " surgical cases,	30
" " persons examined as to their sanity,	5
" " certificates of insanity issued,	5
" " women attended in childbirth,	9
" " deaths,	12

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. MERCER, *City Physician.*

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REPORT

OF THE

Committee on Soldiers' Relief.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby submit to your honorable Board the annual report for Soldiers' Relief as follows:

Thirty-five persons or families have been aided from the appropriation, two were insane, one at Northampton Lunatic Hospital and one in a private family at East Brookfield. Eight families were living in other towns but settled in this city. Four families have been aided having settlements in other towns, from which the city will be reimbursed Twenty-three families or persons were living in this city.

The amount paid for Edwin J. Gouch has been reimbursed to the city by his guardian, E. P. Kendrick, and the city will be relieved from any further expense on his account.

One widow was in receipt of a small pension, but it was found that the pension was illegal and it was discontinued, the widow not being able to prove satisfactory that her husband was ever in the service. The amount which had been paid her from the soldiers' relief fund was discontinued. After that was aided by the Overseers of Poor.

Respectfully,

WILLIAM DIMICK,
Acting Clerk for Committee on Soldiers' Relief.

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FINANCIAL REPORT OF SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Amount appropriated by the City Council,		$1,800 00
Transferred from Miscellaneous Expenses,		250 00
To amount of Monthly Expenses as follows :		
January,	$227 52	
February,	183 55	
March,	285 37	
April,	118 30	
May,	193 56	
June,	181 00	
July,	104 75	
August,	105 20	
September,	152 04	
October,	113 53	
November,	122 33	
December,	178 14	
To unexpended balance,	84 71	
		$2,050 00
Total expended for the year,		$1,965 29
Credits:		
Charles G. Bangs,	$6 05	
E. P. Kendrick, Guar. for Edwin G. Gouch,	127 21	
Town of Lenox for Samuel Weaver,	23 60	
		156 86
Net expense to city,		$1,808 43

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CITY ALMS HOUSE.

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ERRATA.

By an error in the copy the statement of Contingent Expenses, Police Department, on page 268 is wrongfully given.

It should be as follows:

Appropriation,	$2,100 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,	250 00
	$2,350 00

JOHN NICHOLSON,
Chief of Police.

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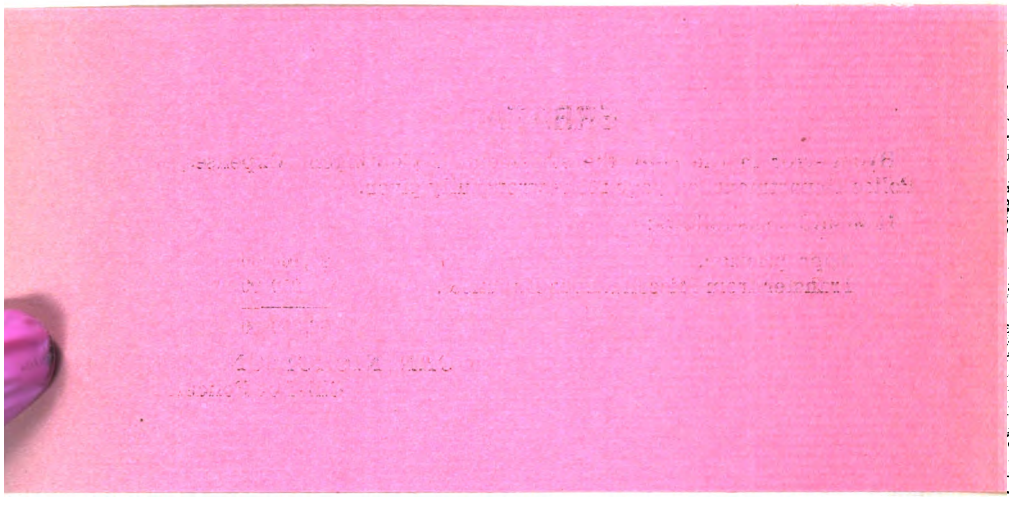

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REPORT

OF THE

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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REPORT

OF THE

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, PITTSFIELD, Dec. 15, 1896.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and to the Honorable City Council:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit herewith, the sixth annual report of this Department for the year ending December 15, 1896.

Whole number of arrests,	1246
Males,	1215
Females,	31
Married,	417
Single,	829
Americans,	837
Foreigners,	409
Residents,	708
Non-residents,	538
Offences against property,	78
" " public order,	1108
" " persons,	60
Lodgers accommodated,	3979

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Appropriations, Salaries,	$17,300 00	
" Contingent,	2,100 00	
Transfer "	250 00	
		$19,650 00

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries,	$16,946 74	
Contingent,	2,348 87	
		$19,295 61

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RECEIPTS.

Court Fees,	$1,467 00	
Witness Fees,	69 20	
Weighing Fees,	231 95	
For use of Store-room,	50 00	
For use of Teams,	95 95	
For use of Station,	9 75	
From O. L. Wood, for services,	5 00	
From O. S. Fish, "	2 00	
From W. G. White, "	2 00	
Miscellaneous,	3 17	
		1,936 02
Paid to E. H. KENNEDY, Treasurer.		
By Walter B. Smith, Clerk,	$1,301 00	
By Sheriff Charles W. Fuller,	166 00	
By John Nicholson, Chief of Police,	469 02	
		1,936 02
Unexpended appropriations,		584 03
Total,		$2,520 05

CONTINGENT EXPENSES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,	$210,000 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,	25,000 00
	$235,000 00

EXPENDED.

Mrs. C. B. Watkins, Meals for prisoners,	$511 80
J. M. Linnehan & Co., Supplies,	15 26
W. H. Currier & Co., "	8 48
Geo. Blatchford, "	10 95
Peirson Hardware Co., "	6 93
J. P. Lovell Arms Co., "	22 80
A. A. Mills, "	1 12
Barker & Belden, "	24 23
England Brothers, "	2 50
E. W. Backman, Livery,	347 25
E. T. Payne, "	23 00
Sullivan & Campbell, Livery,	16 75
Samuel Bridges, "	101 50
Geo. R. Barber, "	218 75
V. Viner, "	20 00

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Morgan Crossman & Co., Rubber Stamps,	8 15	
Pittsfield Coal Gas Co., Gas light,	243 00	
F. K. Chaffee, Professional services,	5 00	
F. K. Paddock, " "	5 00	
W. G. Morton, for Rent of Store Room,	25 00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Telephone,	74 42	
John Nicholson, Chief, Payments from Em. Fund,	239 21	
A. J. Bruey, Ice,	5 00	
Eureka Electric Co., Material and Labor,	5 15	
Geo. W. Branch, " "	74 29	
W. G. Backus' Sons, " "	7 00	
City of Pittsfield, Water Rates,	36 87	
L. C. Ormsbee, Repairing City Scales,	3 00	
Mrs. Rood, for Board of Carrie Richter,	3 00	
Elmer Conant, Meals for Police,	2 80	
Journal Printing Co., Blanks,	3 50	
Sun Printing Co., Cards and Printing,	3 00	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	38 12	
Western Union Tel. Co., "	2 86	
C. E. Merrill, Glass and setting same,	60	
M. P. Lawton & Son, Coal,	12 79	
Garvin & Tanner, "	90 39	
Robbins & Gamwell, Supplies,	6 04	
Hall & Owen, Cartage,	3 00	
C. W. Strong, Type-writing,	3 00	
Edwards Jewelry Store, Bicycle and Supplies,	88 50	
J. L. King, Tolling Bell,	1 00	
R. E. Phair, " "	1 00	
J. F. Barrett, " "	1 00	
C. H. Hopkins, " "	1 00	
Bay State Laundry, Laundry Work,	18 86	
Thomas Behan, Repairs,	4 50	
H. B. Wellington, 1 Stool,	1 50	
		$2,348 87
Unexpended Balance,		1 13

SALARIES—POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		$17,300 00
John Nicholson, Chief of Police,	$1,500 00	
Michael Leonard, Captain of Police,	1,009 24	
Charles W. Thompson,	918 75	
W. G. White,	920 00	
Dennis Hogan,	920 00	
James F. Dean,	920 00	
William Tobin,	918 75	
Daniel P. Flynn,	913 75	
William H. Marshall,	912 50	

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W. W. Van de Bogart,	920 00	
John Hudner,	843 75	
H. A. Stubbs,	915 00	
Louis A. Bastion,	757 50	
George E. Chapman,	916 25	
Michael Fahey,	841 25	
Peter M. Lamore,	916 25	
David J. Mangan,	911 25	
James F. Creelan,	918 75	
A. B. Stevens, Special Services,	11 25	
William Mead, " "	5 00	
Sarah M. Dean, Matron,	57 50	
		$16,946 74
Unexpended Balance,		$353 26

SCHEDULE.

2 Bicycles,
5 Office Desks,
1 Warrant Desk,
2 Clocks,
2 Waste Baskets,
16 Chairs,
1 Copying Press,
3 Tables,
1 Copying Book,
1 Register of Arrests,
1 Invoice Book for Postal Cards,
1 Check Book,
1 Index Book for Dog Licenses,
1 License Book,
1 New Webster's Dictionary,
1 New Supplement Public Statutes,
1 Office Blotter,
50 Feet Hose and Reel,
1 New Desk in Captain's Office,
8 Blankets,
5 Buckets,
1 Wash Basin,
2 Pails,
1 Rubber Mop,
2 Snow Shovel,
2 Coal Shovels,
2 Paper Cutters,
1 Index Digest of Mass. Reports,
1 Field Glass,
1 Ladder,
1 Step Ladder,
1 Drag Hook and Rope,
2 Grapple Hooks and Ropes,
1 Ice Water Tank,
2 Slates,
1 Iron Bedstead,
2 Pillows,
16 New Regular Police Badges.
16 New Helmet Numbers,
16 New Night Sticks,
22 New Pocket Billies,
12 New Scale Books,
8 Lanterns,
2 Dark Lanters,
1 Five Gallon Oil Tank,
2 Small Oil Tanks,
1 Wire Foot Mat,
6 Revolvers,
2 Pair of Handcuffs,
14 Long Clubs, 14 Belts and 14 Short Clubs,
2 Crush Stone Books,
7 Scale Books,
1 Book for Cobble Stone,
8 Towels,
1 Register of Tramps,

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1 Massachusetts Digest,	2 Brooms,
1 Public Statutes of Mass.	1 Bed Spread,
2 Books History of Pittsfield,	25 Guns,
1 Pittsfield Directory,	16 Regular Police Badges,
1 Mass. Peace officer,	28 Special Police Badges,
4 Sheets,	1 Field Glass.

MISCELLANEOUS DUTIES.

Broken water pipes reported,		4
Bad places in highways reported,		10
Bodies taken from water,		2
Complaints investigated,		241
Calls responded to,		137
Dogs shot,		25
Electric wires reported down,		4
Fires extinguished without alarm,		2
Fire alarms rung in,		9
Value of goods found outside of business places,		$144.20
Teams found and returned to owners,		11
Horses killed,		5
Injured and sick persons cared for,		25
Lost children returned to parents,		9
Lights reported out in business places,		18
Value of lost property and money returned,		$660.24
Lanterns hung in dangerous places,		8
Notices served,		154
Notices served to liquor dealers,		744
Neglected teams put out,		12
Officers furnished at weddings,		31
Property cared for by Department, value,		$521.04
Places of business found open,		387
Runaway teams stopped and cared for,		14
Stolen property recovered,		$247.43
Street lights reported out,		12
Summons served,		101
Whole number loads weighed on city scale:		
At 10 cents per load,	1,769	$176.90
At 5 cents per load,	1,101	55.05
For the city,	156	

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Witnesses, Creelan, Fahey, Hogan, Hudner, Thompson, Van de Bogart,		$69.20
Whole number of male and female dogs returned by the Assessors,		895
Of this number were lost,	5	
" " " " killed,	5	
" " " " stolen,	1	
" " " " had no dogs,	53	
" " " " dead,	14	
" " " " had left the city,	25	
" " " " been shot,	22	
	—	125
Leaving the net number of dogs returned by the Assessors,		770
Net number found not returned,		152
Making the total number of dogs in the city,		922
Whole number of males registered,	839	
" " " females "	82	
" " " kennels "	1	
Total number of dogs registered,	922	

One hundred and eighteen dogs registered last year were disposed of; twenty-four of this number were shot.

The present regular force of eighteen police officers, which includes the captain and chief of police, perform all the regular duties of the Police department, with the exception of the services rendered by the police matron in the care of female prisoners, the services of two special police officers have been required only election days.

An examination of the foregoing table of arrests will show an increase of twenty-eight in number, and also that thirty-one more persons were arrested for offences against persons and property, than during the same period of the year ending December 15th A. D. 1895, which were disposed of as follows: For the crime of adultery one person was held for the grand jury, two complaints were filed, and three persons were defaulted and

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now fugitives from the justice of this Commonwealth. For assaults on police officers two persons were committed to the House of Correction and eight persons were ordered to pay fines and costs. For assaults with a dangerous weapon two persons were committed to the House of Correction and four persons were ordered to pay fines and costs. One person arrested for an assault with intent to kill was found not guilty and discharged. One person charged with an attempt to commit robbery was committed to the State Farm as a vagrant. For assault and battery two persons were committed to the House of Correction, twenty were ordered to pay fines and costs, thirteen complaints were filed during good behavior and six persons were found not guilty and were discharged. Two persons charged with the crime of bastardy were ordered to find surety for their apparance at the Superior court,and these cases are still pending For breaking and entering to commit larceny two persons were committed to the House of Correction for the terms of 18 and 17 months respectively. Three persons were committed to the Massachusetts Reformatory indeterminately. Two indictments are still pending One person defaulted and three complaints against juvenile offenders were continued generally. For breaking glass one complaint was placed on file on payment of fine and costs.

For the crime of burglary, two persons were arrested for breaking and entering four dwelling houses in the night-time of the twenty-sixth day of July, they pleaded guilty to three indictments, and were sentenced to the State Prison in Boston, one for the maximum term of sixteen years and the minimum term of twelve years, and the other for the maximum term of ten years and the minimum term of six years, and the property stolen from the four places was nearly all recovered. Fifteen persons, arrested upon a capias, were ordered to pay costs. Four persons were charged with cruelty to animals, three were ordered to pay fines and costs, one was found not guilty and discharged. For carrying concealed weapons, three persons were ordered to pay fines, and one complaint was placed on file. For being a common night-walker, one person was committed to the Woman's Prison at Sherburne for one year. For defrauding landlord, one complaint was

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placed on file, upon payment of board-bill. For disturbing public assembly, two persons were ordered to pay fines. For being disturbers and breakers of the peace, forty persons were ordered to pay fines, one person was committed to the House of Correction, one person was ordered to find surety to keep the peace, three complaints were continued generally, eleven complaints were placed on file during good behavior, and six persons were found not guilty and discharged. For keeping a disorderly house, one person was committed to the House of Correction, and one person was committed to the Woman's Prison. For dipsomania, one person was committed to the Asylum at Foxboro. Eight hundred and eight four persons were arrested for the crime of drunkenness, six hundred and one of these were ordered to pay fines, thirty-five were committed to the House of Correction, three were committed to the Woman's prison, three were committed to the Massachusetts Reformatory and one to the Asylum for Dipsomaniacs at Foxboro. Thirty-two were ordered released at the Police Station, twenty-four were released on probation, four appealed and were convicted. Twenty-four complaints were continued generally, one hundred and fifty-four complaints were placed on file and three persons were found not guilty and were discharged.

For the crime of embezzlement one complaint was continued generally. For evading railroad fare one complaint was placed on file. For fornication three persons were found not guilty and were discharged and one complaint placed on file. Seven fugitives from justice were arrested in the city during the year; one of these charged with the crime of larceny was delivered to the police authorities of Lenox, Mass.; one charged with neglect of family was delivered to the police authorities of the city of Springfield; one charged with the crime of embezzlement was delivered to the police authorities of the town of Adams; one charged with the crime of larceny was delivered to the police authorities of the city of Lynn; one charged with the crime of forgery was delivered to a Deputy United States marshal at Boston; one charged with the crime of larceny was discharged by the court, as the authorities of the state of Vermont, from whence it was charged said fugitive had fled, were

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unable to procure the necessary extradition papers; and one charged with the crime of forgery, in several cities and towns in this Commonwealth, was delivered to the police authorities of the city of Fall River. One person charged with fraudulently obtaining property was committed to the House of Correction, three complaints were continued and one complaint filed on payment of costs. Five persons were arrested charged with unlawfully conducting the business as itinerant venders; after being admitted to bail four of these proceeded to conduct their business as before and were again arrested,convicted and ordered to pay fines, which they did promptly, closed their business and left the city: four other complaints against these persons were filed during their absence; one person was found not guilty and discharged. Three insane persons, cared for by the Department, were taken to their homes, and five persons were committed to the Insane Hospital at Northampton. For the crime of larceny thirteen persons were committed to the House of Correction, three persons were committed to the Massachusetts Reformatory, thirteen persons were ordered to pay fines,two juvenile offenders were committed to the Lyman School for Boys and two were placed in the charge of the State Board. Complaints against seven persons were placed on file and five persons were found not guilty and discharged.

For the crime of larceny from the person two persons were committed to the House of Correction, one person was committed to the Massachusetts Reformatory. For the crime of larceny from a building one person was found not guilty and discharged. For being guilty of lewd and lascivious behavior one person was committed to the Woman's Prison at Sherburne for one year. For loitering one person was ordered to pay fine and costs. For neglecting to support family one person was committed to the House of Correction, two persons were ordered to pay fines and one person was found not guilty and discharged. For maintaining a nuisance one person was ordered to pay a fine. For profanity one person was ordered to pay a fine and one complaint was placed on file. Forty-three gallons of intoxicating liquors were seized and ordered forfeited by the court and delivered to the chief of the district police. For stubbornness three complaints were continued by

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the court during good behavior. For threatening one complaint was placed on file, one person found not guilty and discharged. For trespassing two complaints were placed on file. For being habitual truants six offenders were committed to the Truant School, eight complaints are now pending and five complaints were placed on file. For unlawful peddling three persons were ordred to pay fines. For unlawful taking team one person was ordered to pay a fine. For unlawfully walking on a railroad track one complaint was placed on file. For the crime of vagrancy eight professional vagrants were committed to the State Farm at Bridgewater, four to the House of Correction, one to the Massachusetts Reformatory and forty-two complaints were placed on file. For violating liquor laws one person paid fifty dollars, one person was committed to the House of Correction for the term of five months on two complaints and two months on one complaint that had been placed on file on condition that he would discontinue violating the liquor laws, one complaint was placed on file. For violating city ordinances three complaints were placed on file.

The many miscellaneous duties performed by the Department require a great amount of the time and attention of the officers. Their attendance at public assemblys and weddings in all parts of the city is requested many times during the pear. The services of two officers are also required at all entertainments in the Academy of Music. All notices for meetings of the City Government are served by the police, and also all summons to the Department. Over seven hundred notices to liquor dealers were served, forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquor to persons who were addicted to its excessive use. Seven hundred and twenty-nine doors to business houses are carefully examined every night to see that they are securely fastened; three hundred eighty-seven were found to have been left unfastened.

The protection of property from loss by fires depends largely upon their prompt discovery; the officers have given particular attention to this line of duty and nine alarms were rung in during the year; two fires were discovered and extinguished by the officers which might have been serious had they not been promptly discovered.

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A thorough canvass of the city was made for the location of unlicensed dogs, and one hundred and fifty-two dogs were found that had not been returned to the Assessors or duly registered; the total number of dogs now registered are nine hundred and twenty-two; one hundred and eighteen dogs registered during the year 1895 have been disposed of.

Three thousand,nine hundred and seventy-nine lodgers were accommodated at the Police Station since December 15th,1895, and fifty-five professional tramps found in the woods and barns adjoining the railway tracks; thirteen of these were committed for threatening and assaulting persons in the city who had refused to comply with their demands for money. This class will not apply at the Station, as many of them are wanted or have served time for various offences, therefore for the better protection of personal property a bicycle patrol was established for the purpose of driving these offenders out of the city and destroying their camps and cooking utensils,which were located in the adjoining woods, making the purchase of another bicycle desirable, as many of the officers are now proficient in their use, they become almost indispenable.

As the citizens residing at the Junction were greatly annoyed by the large number of tramps in their vicinity, a petition was presented to the city authorities for better poliec protection in the night time, and regular police service has been rendered there since August 15th, 1895.

While fully appreciating that the policy of retrenchment and economy in public expenditures is most expedient, yet it would seem that the proposed new addition to the Police Station could be very properly considered along the lines of the necessary and permanent improvements to public building during the year ensuing. Your attention is therefore most respectfully called to the annual report of this Department for the year ending December 15th, 1895, which more fully sets forth the present limited and inadequate accommodations and the proposed new addition. Many violent sick and injured persons suffering from the excessive use of intoxicating liquor or other causes are cared for at the Station by the City Physician, Doctor Wm. M. Mercer, and the Department is greatly indebted to him for the prompt and efficient manner in which

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his services have always been rendered. His many visits to to the Station have afforded him an excellent opportunity to know how very much, some better accommodations are needed for all persons in the custody of the Department, therefore your attention is also called to his annual report for the year ending 1896.

Mrs. Sarah M. Dean, the very efficient police matron, must also necessarily labor under many disadvantages, as no proper or suitable provisions were ever made by the city for the care and custody of female prisoners.

This department is greatly indebted to the Police Authorities of the city of Albany for the valued services rendered in the arrest of Henry Morton, charged and convicted of the crime of burglary.

During the year the officers have given their best efforts in the enforcement of the laws and ordinances and in the detection and conviction of criminals, and have been remarkably successful, which is due, I think, to their uniform co-operation and personal interest and pride in the success of the Department.

To His Honor, the Mayor, W. F. Hawkins, Esq., and to the Honorable City Council, for the valued assistance rendered me in the discharge of the duties of this department, and in the improvement of the police service, I extend my sincere thanks.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN NICHOLSON,
Chief of Police, City of Pittsfield.

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TABLE OF ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 15, 1896.

	December 15 to 31, '95.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December from 1-15.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Adultery,		2			2		2							3	3	6
Assault on Officer,		1		3					2			4		10		10
Assault with Dangerous Weapon,		1	1				2	2						6		6
Assault with Intent to Kill,			1											1		1
Assault with Intent to Rob,								1						1		1
Assault and Battery,	4	4	2	2	2	2	5		4	2	4	1	9	40	1	41
Bastardy,		1											1	2		2
Breaking and Entering,					4	3				3	1			11		11
Breaking Glass,	1				1									2		2
Burglary,								4						4		4
Capias,	1				1	1	1	4	3	1	1	1	1	15		15
Cruelty to Animals,						1	1		1			1		4		4
Carrying Concealed Weapons,		1					1			1		1		4		4
Common Night Walkers,													1		1	1
Defrauding Landlord,										1				1		1
Disturbing Public Assembly,	1	1												2		2
Disturbing the Peace,	5	2	10	3	4	13	4	7	2	4	2	2	4	62		62
Disorderly House Keeping,									1					1		1
Dipsomania,									1					1		1
Drunkenness,	44	74	54	72	66	78	60	81	75	114	61	72	33	862	22	884
Embezzlement,											1			1		1
Evading Railroad Fare,						1								1		1
Fornication,								1	3					3	1	4
Fugitives from Justice,	1	5				1								7		7
Fraud,					2					2		1		5		5
Itinerant Venders,									9					9		9
Insane,				3	1	1		1		1		1		7	1	8

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Larceny,	2	3	1	2	6	2	11	10		1	5	2		44	1	45
Larceny from Building,								1						1		1
Larceny from Person,			1									2		3		3
Lewd and Lascivious Behavior,									1						1	1
Loitering,	1													1		1
Neglect of Family,					1	3								4		4
Nuisance,		1												1		1
Profanity,		1							1					2		2
Search for Intoxicating Liquors,										1				1		1
Stubbornness,		1					1					1		3		3
Threatening,					1			1						2		2
Trespass,				1			1							2		2
Truancy,	2		2		4	1					5	4	1	19		19
Unlawful Peddling,								2	1					3		3
Unlawful Taking Team,				1										1		1
Unlawful Walking on Railroad Track,			1											1		1
Vagrancy,					5	11	4	18	8		3		6	55		55
Violating City Ordinance,							2	1						3		3
Violating Liquor Laws,					2					2				4		4
Totals,	62	98	73	87	102	118	95	134	112	133	83	93	56	1215	31	1246
Lodgers Accommodated,	248	472	377	528	511	116	48	27	53	157	396	640	406	3979		3979

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REPORT

OF THE

License Commissioners.

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REPORT

OF THE

License Commissioners.

To His Honor, the Mayor:

The License Commissioners respectfully submit the following report:

A license as common victualler was granted to the following persons:

Hayn, Gruno & Co., 17 Depot Street.
Barry & Burke, 107 Wahconah Street.
John McEnany & Co., 289 North Street.
Killian & Lew, 20 Depot Street.
Davis & Meehan, 237 North Street.
Colbert & Nilan, 23 Morton Place.
Callahan & Nilan, 164 McKay Street.
Daniels Brothers, 162 McKay Street.
Cullen & Flemming, 162 North Street.
John Downs & Co., 288 North Street.
Wood & Qua, 7 Morton Place.
Condron & Lawler, 301 North Street.
Wm. E. Byrnes & Co., 35 and 37 McKay Street.
Agnes White, Pine Grove.
Wm. Harrahy, 3 Lunch Wagons.
Thomas Carson, 236 North Street.
John E. Watson, 2 Stands at Pontoosuc Lake.
Wm. F. Tower, Agt., Pontoosuc Lake.
John Callahan, Lunch Wagon.
Elmer Conant, 57 North Street.
George W. Armstrong, R. R. Station.
Mrs. Geo. Van De Burgh, West Street.
Peter Hodecker, Pontoosuc Lake.

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Mrs. L. E. Church, 74 West Street.
Mrs. L. E. Church, Pontoosuc Lake.
Kearney & O'Brien, 91 Wahconah Street.
C. A. Swift, 74 West Street.
Bohlman & Lange, 25 Liberty Street.
George E. Rockwell, 2d, 6 South Street.

A license as inn-holder was granted to the following persons:

Plumb & Clark, American House.
Morris Clary & Co., 198 West Street.
W. S. Meserve & Co., Burbank Hotel.
Arthur W. Plumb, Maplewood Hotel.
Butterworth & Co., Berkshire House.
Anna Parker, 52 West Street.

A special club license was granted to The Pittsfield Turn Verein Germania, 113 Seymour Street, and The Pittsfield Club, 147 East Street. Fee, $50 each.

A liquor license of the first class at $1700, and liquor license of the fourth class at $300, was granted to the following persons on April 20th:

No. 1, $1,200, fifth class, Berkshire Brewing Ass'n, corner of Columbus Avenue and John Street.
" 2, 2,000, Hayn, Gruno & Co., 17 Depot Street.
" 3, 2,000, John McEnany & Co., 289 North Street.
" 4, 2,000, Killian & Lew, 20 Depot Street.
" 5, 2,000, Davis & Meehan, 237 North Street.
" 6, 2,000, Plumb & Clark, American House.
" 7, 2,000, Colbert & Nilan, 23 Morton Place.
" 8, 2,000, Callahan & Nilan, 164 McKay Street.
" 9, 2,000, Morris Clary & Co., 198 West Street.
" 10, 2,000, Daniels Brothers, 162 McKay Street.
" 11, 2,000, Cullen & Flemming, 162 North Street.
" 12, 2,000, John Downs & Co., 288 North Street.
" 13, 2,000, Wood & Qua, 7 Morton Place.
" 14, 2,000, W. S. Meserve & Co., Burbank Hotel.
" 15, 2,000, Barry & Burke, 107 Wahconah Street.
" 17, 2,000, Wm. M. Byrnes & Co., 35 and 37 McKay Street.
" 18, 2,000, Kearney & O'Brien, granted May 13th, 91 Wahconah Street.

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No. 19, 2,000, Condron & Lawler, granted July 1st, 301 North Street.

" 20, $2,000, Bohlman & Lange, granted July 1st, 25 Liberty Street.

License number 16 to Colon Wine Company was not called for.

19 licenses are in force, 18 first and fourth at $2,000,	$36,000 00
And 1 fifth class at	1,200 00
	$37,200 00
12 sixth class at $1.00,	12 00
Total fee,	$37,212 00
2 special club,	100 00
	$37,312 00

A liquor license of the sixth class was granted to the following persons at $1.00:

Charles M. Whelden, 226 North Street.
Wm. K. Rice, 128 West Street.
Carl Hydren, 223 North Street.
J. J. Murphy, 198 North Street.
Clarence H. Waite, 15 North Street.
John H. Manning, 163 North Street.
R. E. Willard & Son, 2 South Street.
W. H. Currier & Co., 75 North Street.
F. A. Hull, 38 North Street.
Fahey's Pharmacy, 317 North Street.
Thomas H. Farrell, 14 Peck's Road.
Allen F. Read, 226 and 228 North Street.

JNO. ALLEN ROOT,
Chairman.

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REPORT

OF

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS.

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REPORT

OF

Inspector of Buildings.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council of the City of Pittsfield.

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit this, my fourth annual report, for the year ending December 31, 1896.

The total number of buildings, etc., for which permits were granted and the uses for which said buildings were intended are as follows:

Double dwellings,	wooden,	13
Single "	"	15
Additions,	"	20
Freight House,	"	1
Barns,	"	7
Carriage Shop,	"	1
Laundry,	"	1
Store House,	"	1
Sheds,	"	5
Billiard Room,	brick,	1
Engine House,	"	1
Additions,	"	1
Barns,	"	2
Sheds,	"	2
School Houses,	"	2

The attention of the Inspector has been called where violations of the ordinance occurred, or the public safety was endangered.

Brick walls re-built in old buildings,	3
Foundation wall re-built in old buildings,	1
Chimneys taken down in old buildings,	4
Wooden buildings,	1

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I have inspected 273 of plumbing.

Number of inspections of plumbing,	819
Number of permits for plumbing granted,	273
Number of old plumbing jobs condemned and defects corrected,	6
Examination of plumbers,	13
Number of plumber's licenses granted,	45
Number of drain layer's licenses granted,	7
Number of licenses revoked,	1

The estimated cost of new and of additions for which permits were issued in the first and second fire districts is $310,030, a decrease of $47,820 from the year 1895.

Number of new fixtures placed in old and new buildings from Jan. 1, 1896, to Dec. 31, 1896, are as follows:

Water closets,	443
Sinks,	426
Wash trays,	39
Wash bowls,	144
Bath tubs,	149
Urinals,	35

INSPECTION OF HOTELS

In the City of Pittsfield, 1896, as provided by Acts of the Legislature of Massachusetts, Chapter 307, 1890:

AMERICAN HOUSE,

Corner North Street and Columbus Avenue, Pittsfield, Mass., Plumb & Clark, Proprietors.

No. of sleeping rooms per story—2d, 29; 3d, 25; 4th, 24.
No. complied—2d, 24; 3d, 25; 4th, 13.
Appliances used—2d, rope; 3d, rope; 4th, rope.
If properly secured—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
If properly coiled—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
To reach ground—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
Loop in end—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
Printed directions—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
Those rooms which are not provided with ropes are in close connection with outside fire escapes.

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THE MAPLEWOOD,

Corner North Street and Maplewood Avenue, Pittsfield, Mass., A. W. Plumb, Owner.

No. of sleeping rooms per story—2d, 51; 3d, 53; 4th, 10.
No. complied—2d, 23; 3d, 44; 4th, none.
Appliances used—2d, rope; 3d, rope; 4th.
If properly secured—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
If properly coiled—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
To reach ground—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
Loop in end—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
Printed directions—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
Rooms are in close connection with outside fire escapes which are not provided with ropes.

BURBANK HOTEL,

227 West Street, Pittsfield, Mass., Eugene Lynch, Owner, 24 India Street, Boston, Mass.

No. of sleeping rooms per story—2d, 24; 3d, 24; 4th, 20.
No. complied—2d, 6; 3d, 6; 4th, 6.
Appliances used—2d, rope; 3d, rope; 4th, rope.
If properly secured—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
If properly coiled—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
To reach ground—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
Loop in end—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
Printed directions—2d, yes; 3d, yes; 4th, yes.
Outside fire ladders, balconies, etc., provide means of escape for other rooms.

BERKSHIRE HOUSE,

35 Summer Street, Pittsfield, Mass., John Butterworth, Proprietor.

No. of sleeping rooms per story—2d, 15; 3d, 14; 4th, none.
No. complied—2d, 10; 3d, 12.
Appliances used—2d, rope; 3d, rope.
If properly secured—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
If properly coiled—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
To reach ground—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
Loop in end—2d, yes; 3d, yes.
Printed directions—2d, yes; 3d, yes.

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All those rooms which are not provided with rope fire escapes are in close connection with outside fire escapes. Ten rooms on 3d floor in ell, no fire escape.

PARKER HOUSE,

Pittsfield, Mass., Richard Parker, Proprietor, 52 West Street.

No. of sleeping rooms per story—2d, 8; 3d, 23; 4th, none.
No. complied—2d, none; 3d, none.
Appliances used—2d, none; 3d, none.
If properly secured—2d, none; 3d, none.
If properly coiled—2d, none; 3d, none.
To reach ground—2d, none; 3d, none.
Loop in end—2d, none; 3d, none.
Printed directions—2d, none; 3d, none.
The Parker House has no fire escapes of any kind.

I would also suggest that Sections 9 and 12 of Chapter 17 of the Revised Ordinances be amended so that the Mayor and Aldermen, on reccommendation of the Inspector of Buildings, may be permitted to grant special permits to erect piazzas nearer party lines than is prescribed in said sections, in cases where the fire risk, in their judgment, is not increased.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. COWELL,
Inspector of Buildings for the City of Pittsfield.

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REPORT

OF THE

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

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REPORT

OF THE

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the City Council:

GENTLEMEN:

The Board of Assessors herewith respectfully submit the following report for the year 1896:

VALUATION.

The valuation of the city of Pittsfield, as on the first day of May, 1896, determined by the Assessors July 24th of that year, when the rate of taxation was fixed for the current year, was as follows:

Resident Real Estate,	$9,776,100 00	
Non-Resident Real Estate,	1,354,535 00	
Resident Personal Estate,	2,517,235 00	
Non-Resident Personal Estate,	141,690 00	
Resident Bank Stock,	582,966 00	
Total valuation determined July 24,		$14,372,526 00
Supplementary assessment under provisions of Chap. 362 of the Acts of 1888, of omitted prorerty,		24,737 00
Totai valuation,		$14,397,263 00
This total has been reduced by abatements of exempted property of widows, disabled soldiers, etc.,		105,767 00
		$14'291,496 00

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The valuation in the foregoing table may be properly increased by the value of the shares of National Bank Stock in Banks, in this State outside of Pittsfield, owned by Residents in 1896, amounting to the sum of	127,767
And also may be increased by the value of shares of Massachusetts Corporations, owned by Residents of Pittsfield, which are taxed by the State, amounting to the sum of	899,972 00

As the revenue derived from these two sources is paid over by the State to Pittsfield, the amount of this revenue is estitimated by the Assessors and is deducted from the City Warrant before the rate is determined, so that the effect of these valuations in reducing the rate of taxation is practically the same as it would be if this valuation was made by the Assessors and assessed here.

POLLS.

The number of polls recorded for assessment July 24, 1896, when the rate was determined, was	5726
Under operation of the law providing for supplementary assessment of male persons, Chap. 417, Sec. 20 and 21, Acts of 1893, and Chap. 61 of the Acts of 1895, there was added to the list 190 polls.	190
Total number of polls,	5,916

Assessed in Wards as follows:

Ward 1,	828
" 2,	1010
" 3,	778
" 4,	741
" 5,	740
" 6,	997
" 7,	822

WARRANTS.

Warrants for the assessment of taxes in the city of Pittsfield for the fiscal year 1896 were committed to the Assessors as follows, viz.:

State Warrant,	$ 9,415 00	
County Warrant,	21,317 35	
City Warrant,	338,130 00	
Aggregate of Warrants,		$368,862 35

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In complying with the requirements of the Pub. Stat., Chap. 11, Sec. 34, we deducted from the City Warrant the estimated receipts lawfully applicable to the payment of the expenditures of the year, based upon the receipts of the previous year, 1895, which amounted to the sum of	111,943 16
Balance of Warrants,	$256,919 19
Under provision of Chap. 445, Acts of 1893, we added an overlay of	6,052 06
Aggregate of the taxes as determined by the Assessors, when the rate was fixed, and committed to the Collector,	$262,971 25

SUPPLEMENTARY ASSESSMENTS.

Under authority conferred by Chap. 362, Acts of 1888, and Chap. 417, Sec. 20 and 21, Acts of 1893, and Chap. 61, Acts of 1895, we made supplementary assessment on property and polls omitted in original assessment, amounting to the sum of	812 90

RE-ASSESSMENTS.

Under authority conferred by Pub. Stat., Chap. 11, Sec. 79, we re-assessed taxes amounting to the sum of	480 83
Total tax committed to the Collector for the current year,	$264,264 99

RATE PER $1.000.

For State Tax,	$ 0 26
" County Tax,	1 09
" City Debt and Interest,	5 01
" City Expenses,	11 14
Total rate per $1,000,	$17 50

ABATEMENTS.

Totat abatements from above assessments have been made (including the tax to be re-assessed and three polls), amounting to		$2,337 79
Number Residents assessed on property,	2,416	
" Resident Firms, Corporations, Trustees, etc.,	423	
" Non-Residents assessed on property,	197	
" " Firms, etc.,	4	

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" Residents assessed for poll,	4,084	
" Acres land assessed,	23,344	
" Dwellings,	3,154	
" Horses,	2,247	
" Cows,	1,009	
" Neat Cattle other than Cows,	115	
" Sheep,	191	
" Swine,	126	
" Fowls,	1,525	
Valuation Real Estate,	$110,762.85	
" Personal Estate,	32,152.11	
" Buildings excluding Land,	55,074.80	
" Land excluding Buildings,	56,231.55	
Tax on Real Estate,		$193,834 99
" " Personal Estate,		56,266 19
" " Polls,		11,826 00

VALUE OF EXEMPTED PROPERTY.

Literary Institutions,	$163,881 86
Benevolent "	240,272 95
Charitable, "	52,785 39
Agricultural "	10,000 00
Houses of Religious Worship,	426,100 00
School Property (not including buildings in process of erection, May 1, 1896),	244,850 00
City Property,	568,500 00
Real and Personal Estate of Berkshire County,	418,900 00
	$2,125,280 20

WM. CLARK,
FRED'K S. PARKER,
H. D. SISSON,
} Assessors of Pittsfield.

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REPORT

OF THE

TAX COLLECTOR.

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REPORT

OF THE

TAX COLLECTOR.

FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the City Council of the City of Pittsfield:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit to you my first annual report of the collection of taxes for the year ending Feb. 1, 1897.

Very respectfully yours,

FRANK R. STRONG.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVED FROM ASSESSORS.

TAXES OF 1893.

Balance from 1895 Warrant,	$69 93	
Added for Error,	12	
Interest Collected,	13 17	
		$83 22
Paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,		83 22

TAXES OF 1894.

Balance from 1895 Warrant,	$7,604 71	
Interest Collected,	676 35	
		8,281 06
Abatements,	$996 37	
Paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	7,186 09	
Outstanding,	98 60	
		8,281 06

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TAXES OF 1895.

Balance from 1895 Warrant,	$29,144 29	
Additional,	8 15	
"	11 50	
"	4 89	
Sewer Apportionments Paid,	436 10	
Interest Collected,	761 38	
		30,366 31
Abatements,	$1,800 83	
Discount,	3 46	
Paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	22,961 28	
Outstanding,	5,600 74	
		30,366 31

SEWER APPORTIONMENT 1895.

Balance from 1895,	$636 00	
Interest Collected,	22 81	
		658 81
Error,	$1 67	
Apportionment of Assessments which were paid in full to W. F. Francis, 1895 Sewer Account,	108 39	
Paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer, with Taxes of 1895,	436 10	
Outstanding,	112 65	
		658 81

TAXES OF 1896.

Warrant,	$272,456 32	
Additional Warrant,	11 38	
" "	405 65	
" "	469 45	
" "	407 25	
Sewer Apportionments Paid,	1,759 66	
Interest Collected,	108 09	
		275,617 80
Abatements,	$2,337 79	
Discount Allowed to Oct. 10,	6,219 09	
Cash Paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	225,212 18	
Outstanding,	41,848 74	
		275,617 80

SEWER APPORTIONMENT 1896.

Warrant,	$2,586 47	
Additional Warrant,	4 11	
" "	4 97	
		2,595 55

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Abatements for Errors,	$76 35	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer, with 1896 Taxes,	1,759 66	
Outstanding,	759 54	
		2,595 55

ACCOUNTS RECEIVED FROM THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

CLEANING SIDEWALKS—ORDER POLICE.

Balance from 1895,	$6 55	6 55
Abatements,	6 55	6 55

SIDEWALK REPAIRS.

Balance from 1895,	$13 90	
Account of 1896,	6 60	
		20 50
Abatements,	$1 80	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	12 10	
Outstanding,	6 60	
		20 50

PONTOOSUC EXTENSION.

Balance from 1895,	$25 00	25 00
Abatements,	25 00	25 00

WATER RATES.

Balance from 1895,	$2,356 08	
Warrant, May, 1896,	20,408 64	
" Nov., 1896,	18,112 01	
Additional,	1,695 35	
" May, 1895,	133 65	
" Nov., 1896,	2,565 00	
		45,270 73
Abatements,	$2,136 95	
Discounts,	5,967 04	
Cash Refunded, Party Paid Twice,	2 00	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	33,008 33	
Outstanding,	4,156 41	
		45,270 73

METERED WATER.

Balance from 1895,	$554 80	
Warrants,	10,752 36	
		11,307 16

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Abatements,	$95 22	
Discounts,	2,050 93	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	8,869 41	
Outstanding,	291 60	
		11,307 16

WATER AND SEWER CONNECTIONS AND WATER WORKS MAINTENANCE.

Balance from 1895,	$332 74	
Warrants,	4,693 81	
		5,026 55
Abatements,	$21 05	
Error 1895 Account,	84	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	4,923 64	
Outstanding,	81 02	
		5,026 55

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

Balance from 1895,	$749 05	
Warrants,	1,181 74	
		1,930 79
Abatements,	$119 72	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	822 17	
Outstanding,	988 90	
		1,930 79

SEWER ASSESSMENTS.

Balance from 1895,	$30,265 91	
1895 Warrants,	6,878 28	
1896 "	8 15	
Warrants for Sewer Charges 8 to 14,	216 66	
Interest Collected,	940 77	
		38,310 17
Abatements,	$717 00	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	18,425 80	
Outstanding,	19,167 37	
		38,310 17

Outstanding is divided as below:

Total amount outstanding,	19,167 37	
Of this amount	13,799 60	
is apportioned for yearly payments and the		
Amount of	5,367 77	
is not apportioned or collected.		
The Auditor also credits to the balance of	19,167 37	

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The amounts of 1895 and 1896 Sewer Apportionments sent to the Collector by the Assessors in the Taxes of '95 and '96,	4,493 23	
Leaving net balance outstanding of	14,674 14	
Of which the Uncollected is	5,367 77	
And Apportioned Accounts are	9,306 37	
		14,674 14

SIDEWALK ASSESSMENTS.

Dec. 15, 1892,	$161 55	
March 3, 1894,	144 88	
Feb. 15, 1895,	350 30	
April 18, 1896,	2,160 90	
Interest Collected,	31 07	
		2,848 70
Abatements,	$130 51	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	2,127 46	
Outstanding,	590 73	
		2,848 70

HIGHWAYS.

Balance from 1895,	$132 10	
Accounts of 1896,	5 33	
		137 43
Abatements,	$34 25	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	11 00	
Outstanding,	92 18	
		137 43
Of this amount outstanding the account of John J. Powers, has been referred to the City Council of 1897 on claim for abatement.	$80 25	

TOTAL NET COLLECTIONS FOR THE YEAR

As per payments acknowledged by receipts from E. H. Kennedy, Treas.:

Taxes of 1893,	$83 22
" " 1894,	7,186 09
" " 1895,	22,961 28
" " 1896,	225,212 18
Sidewalk Repairs,	12 10
Water Rates,	33,008 33
Metered Water Rates,	8,869 41
Water and Sewer Connections,	4,923 64

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Miscellaneous,	822 17	
Sewer Assessments,	18,425 80	
Sidewalk Assessments,	2,127 46	
Highways,	11 00	
		323,642 68

TOTAL INTEREST COLLECTIONS.

Taxes of 1893,	$13 17	
" " 1894,	676 35	
" " 1895,	761 38	
" " 1896,	108 09	
Sewer Assessments,	940 77	
Sidewalk Assessments,	31 07	
Sewer Apportionments,	22 81	
		2,553 64

TOTAL ABATEMENTS.

Taxes 1894,	$996 37	
" 1895,	1,800 83	
" 1896,	2,337 79	
Sewer Apportionments,	76 35	
Sidewalks order Police,	6 55	
" Repairs,	1 80	
Pontoosuc Extension,	25 00	
Water Rates,	2,136 95	
Metered Water Rates,	95 22	
Water and Sewer Connections,	21 05	
Miscellaneous Account,	119 72	
Sewer Assessments,	717 00	
Sidewalk Assessments,	130 51	
Highways,	34 25	
Additional Water and Sewer,	3 67	
		8,503 06

TOTAL DISCOUNTS ALLOWED.

Taxes 1895,	$3 46	
" 1896,	6,219 09	
Water Rates,	5,967 04	
Metered Water,	2,050 93	
		14,240 52

OUTSTANDING BALANCES.

Taxes 1894,	$98 06
" 1895,	5,600 74
" 1896,	41,848 74

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Sewer Apportionment 1895,	112 65	
" " 1896,	759 54	
Sidewalk Repair,	6 60	
Water Rates,	4,156 41	
Metered Water Rates,	291 60	
Water and Sewer Connections,	81 02	
Miscellaneous Account,	988 90	
Sewer Assessments,	14,674 14	
Sidewalk Assessment,	590 73	
Highways,	92 18	
		69,301 31

TOTAL AMOUNT OF ACCOUNT SENT TO THE COLLECTOR FOR THE YEAR.

Taxes, 1893,	$69 93	
" 1894,	7,604 71	
" 1895,	29,168 83	
" 1896,	273,750 05	
Sewer Apportionment, 1895,	636 00	
" " 1896,	2,595 55	
Sidewalks order Police,	6 55	
" Repair,	20 50	
Pontoosuc Extension,	25 00	
Water Rates,	45,270 73	
Metered Water Rates,	11,307 16	
Water and Sewer Connections,	5,026 55	
Miscellaneous Account,	1,930 79	
Sewer Assessments,	37,369 00	
Sidewalk Assessments,	2,817 63	
Highways,	137 43	
Interest Collected,	2,553 64	
		420,290 05
Abatements,	$8,503 06	
Discounts,	14,240 52	
Errors,	86	
Cash paid Treasurer,	323,642 68	
Outstanding all accounts,	69,301 31	
Less error on 1895 Sewer App.,	108 39	
Trans. from Sewer Acct. to '95 and '96 Taxes,	4,493 23	
		420,290 05

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REPORT

OF THE

CITY CLERK.

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REPORT

OF THE

CITY CLERK.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, JAN. 25, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Mayor, and City Council of the City of Pittsfield:

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to submit herewith the sixth annual report of this office for the year ending December 31, 1896:

RECEIPTS.

The receipts from all sources have been as follows:

From Fees:

157 Marriage Licenses issued,	$78 50	
10 Marriages of residents of Pittsfield, married out of state, recorded,	5 00	
104 Mortgages of personal property, recorded,	59 50	
12 Bills of sale, recorded,	3 00	
7 Assignment of wages, recorded,	1 75	
23 discharges of mortgages, recorded,	5 75	
7 Married women's certificates, recorded,	1 75	
7 Assignment of mortgages, recorded,	1 75	
1 Religious society certificate, recorded,	25	
1 Fence viewer's certificate, recorded,	25	
11 Attachments of personal property, recorded,	2 75	
72 Copies of records,	18 00	
70 Naturalization certificates issued,	35 00	
923 Dog licenses, at 20 cents,	184 60	
		$397 85

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From Licenses:

8 Truck licenses,	$8 00	
5 Hackney licenses,	5 00	
4 Lunch wagon licenses,	8 00	
3 Intelligence office licenses,	6 00	
6 Auctioneers' licenses,	12 00	
15 Licenses to slaughter cattle,	15 00	
41 Plumbers' licenses, 9 at $2, 32 at .50,	34 00	
2 Bowling alleys,	10 00	
17 Pool and billiard licenses,	85 00	
3 Shooting gallery licenses,	3 00	
2 Excavators' licenses,	6 00	
33 Liquor licenses, recorded,	33 00	
1 Cold milk stand license,	1 00	
2 Circus licenses,	200 00	
Academy of Music license,	75 00	
Wondefland Musee license,	55 00	
4 Licenses for public entertainments,	13 00	
2 Public hall licenses,	2 00	
1 Skating park license,	1 00	
7 Peddlers' licenses,	7 00	
1 Merry Go Round license,	15 00	
		594 00
Total receipts,		$991 85

Which amount ($991.85) has been paid over to the City Treasurer and his receipts taken therefor.

DOG LICENSES.

The amount of money received from dog licenses for the year is as follows:

RECEIPTS.

840 Males at $2.00,	$1680 00	
82 Females at $5.00,	410 00	
1 Kennel license,	50 00	
		$2140 00

PAYMENTS,

Paid City Treasurer fees on 923 licenses, at 20 cents,	$184 60	
Paid County Treasurer,	1955 40	
		$2140 00

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The above amount of $1955.40 has been paid over to the County Treasurer and his receipts taken therefor.

The above sum of $184.60 is included in the amount paid to the City Treasurer, as per preceding statement.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

BIRTHS.

Births in Pittsfield,	527
Births recorded that occurred in other places, parents being residents of Pittsfield,	17
Births recorded that occurred in other places, parents being residents of other places,	3
Total,	547
Males,	289
Females,	258
Number of cases of twins,	8

The number of births in each month was as follows:

January,	61	July,	45
February,	50	August,	49
March,	39	September,	40
April,	45	October,	49
May,	44	November,	44
June,	44	December,	37
		Totnl,	547

MARRIAGES.

Number of certificates of intention issued,		157
Number of marriages recorded,		171
Number of marriages, ceremony performed in Pittsfield,	136	
Number of marriages, ceremony performed elsewhere,	35	
		171

The number of marriages in each month was as follows:

January,	15	July,	16
February,	11	August,	13
March,	10	September,	15
April,	14	October,	17
May,	8	November,	13
June,	31	December,	8
		Total,	171

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Number of marriage of each of the contracting parties:

First marriage of	143 grooms,	155 brides.
Second " "	26 "	16 "
Third " "	2 "	0 "
Total,	171	171

Age of the oldest groom, 71, age of the youngest groom, 17.
Age of the oldest bride, 70; age of the youngest bride, 16.

Nationalties of the contracting parties:

United States,	131 grooms,	132 brides.
Canada,	8 "	6 "
England,	5 "	2 "
Ireland,	14 "	18 "
Germany,	4 "	5 "
Scotland,	1 "	0 "
France,	4 "	5 "
Wales,	1 "	1 "
Italy,	1 "	1 "
Russia,	1 "	1 "
Switzerland,	1 "	0 "
Total,	171	171

DEATHS.

Whole number of deaths recorded,		450
Number of deaths in Pittsfield,		372
Deaths in Pittsfield, burial in Pittsfield,	295	
Deaths in Pittsfield, burial elsewhere,	77	
		372
Deaths elsewhere, burial in Pittsfield,		70
Deaths of persons residing in Pittsfield, dying elsewhere, burial elsewhere,		2
Deaths in previous years, bodies removed to Pittsfield during the year,		6
Total,		450

Whole number of burials in Pittsfield, 295 plus 70, plus 6, equals 371.

Number of persons dying between the ages of 90 and 100 years,		2.
" " " " " " " " 80 " 90 "		26
" " " " " " " " 70 " 80 "		34
" " " " " " " " 60 " 70 "		43
" " " " under 60 years of age (not including still born),		244
Still born,		23
Number of deaths, males (including still born),	209	
" " " females " " "	163	
Total,		372

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The age of the oldest person dying in Pittsfield during the year was 96 years, 5 months, 19 days.

The records of causes of deaths, and the number from each disease or cause, will be found in the report of the Board of Health.

The census of births was taken by Edward T. Holmes and Michael Lahey, and resulted in securing 204 births not returned by the physicians and midwives, as required by law.

NEW STREETS LAID OUT.

The number of new streets and highways laid out and established by the Board of Aldermen during the year 1896 is as follows:

Number of streets laid out and established,	1
" " " grade established (in part),	4
Total,	5

MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

Number of meetings of the Board of Aldermen,	47
Number of joint meetings of the City Council,	5
Number of meetings of the Common Council,	38

NATURALIZATION.

Seventy (70) persons have made application for their final naturalization papers during the year.

STATE AID.

Number of persons drawing State Aid January 1, 1896,	48	
Number added during the year,	11	
		59
Number of persons dropped from the rolls during the year,		3
Number of persons now on rolls,		56

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The payment of State Aid by months, was as follows:

January,	$203 00	July,	210 00
February,	203 00	August,	210 00
March,	198 00	September,	210 00
April,	196 00	October,	210 00
May.	200 00	November,	210 00
June,	208 00	December,	233 00
		Total,	$2,491 00

The amount paid for the burial of poor and indigent soldiers during the year 1896, was seventy dollars, which will be returned to the city by the state.

No payments have been made for Military Aid during the year 1896.

NUMBER OF PERSONS LIABLE TO MILITARY DUTY.

The whole number of persons in this city liable to military duty, as returned by the Board of Assessors, is four thousand one hundred and eighty-one (4,181).

JURY LIST.

As revised by the Mayor and Aldermen, November 9, 1896.

Acly, Edward C., mason, 89 W. Housatonic st.
Andrews, Frederick, janitor, 61 Daniels ave.
Andrews, Selden D., clerk, 120 Appleton ave.
Atwater, Charles, manufacturer, 38 Broad st.
Atwood, Luther L., druggist, 27 Clinton ave.
Ayers, Thaddeus Z., clerk, 57 Bradford st.
Ayers, William H., teamster, 509 Fenn st.
Backus, Frank C., merchant, 138 South st.
Backus, William G., merchant, 135 South st.
Bacon, James L., merchant, 50 Hamlin st.
Bagg, Allen H., clerk, 101 West st.
Bailey, George W., merchant, 202 East st.
Barber, George R , liveryman, 99 Francis ave.
Barker, John V., Jr., manufacturer, Barkerville.
Barlow, Nathan W., clerk, 25 Elizabeth st.
Barnes, Albert F., painter, 62 Burbank st.
Barrett, Henry N., carriage trimmer, 71 Orchard st.

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Barrows, Wm. H., agt. American ex., 40 Henry ave.
Bates, George M., 43 Holmes road.
Beckwith, Orson E., carpenter, 38 Onota st.
Bedell, Dillwyn C., carpenter, 124 Summer st.
Beebe, Charles, merchant, Barkerville.
Belden, Fred G., merchant, 130 Appleton ave.
Bence, John, farmer, West st.
Benedict, Olin T., farmer, 1277 North st.
Benz, Charles F., farmer, E. Lenox road.
Benz, Frederick J., farmer, E. Lenox road.
Blain, Louis, merchant, 22 Maplewood ave.
Boss, William, barber, 13 Seymour st.
Booth, Charles W., carpenter, 420 Fenn st.
Booth, Elihu D., farmer, Middle Lenox road.
Bradley, Patrick D., tailor, 12 Prospect st.
Brewster, Frank W., merchant, 29 Union st.
Bridgman, Edward H., mill supt., Dalton ave.
Brock, Alfred, merchant, 40 Buel st.
Brodie, George H., foreman, 28 Adam st.
Brown, Charles H., 227 East st.
Buntin, James, loom fixer, 125 Lincoln st.
Burbank, Charles H., carpenter, 393 West st.
Burbank, James A., 33 Francis ave.
Burns, James M., 38 Summer st.
Burfitt, Charles E., carpenter, 130 E. Housatonic st.
Burke, Edward M., Barkerville.
Burke, John M., machinist, 18 Alcove st.
Burt, Wesley G., 22 Elizabeth st.
Butler, Charles D., salesman, 81 Second st.
Butler, James H., merchant, 96 Fenn st.
Cain, Edward, clerk, 19 Pond st.
Callahan, John, tallyman, 152 Linden st.
Callahan, Michael F., merchant, 76 Columbus ave.
Campbell, Thos., Sr., gardener, 175 W. Housatonic st.
Carley, Henry, painter, 22 Wellington ave.
Carver, Edwin L., machinist, 42 Newell st.
Carver, James E., farmer, Elm st.
Casey Michael, merchant, 86 Maplewood ave.
Chapel, Addison M., machinist, 265 Fenn st.
Chapin, Albert N., bookkeeper, 25 Church st.
Churchill Fred'k A., pattern-maker, 40 Henry ave.
Churchill, John, farmer, 22 Hamlin st.
Clark Dwight A., joiner, 14 Robbins ave.
Clark, George W., hotel-keeper, American House.
Clark Henry C., machinist, 207 Second st.
Clark John W., machinist, 25 Willis st.
Clark, Ward, farmer, Crane ave.

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Cole Warren T., 35 Linden st.
Conlin Edward F., machinist, 46 Prospect st.
Conlin, Owen, janitor, 87 Howard st.
Coogan, Clement, tanner, 66 Howard st.
Coogan, Clement F., tanner, 33 Elm st.
Cooke, Rollin H., banker, 31 North st.
Cooley, Fred A., ins. agent, 27 Howard st.
Cooley, William H., merchant, 139 South st.
Couch, Dwight M., carpenter, 136 Second st.
Coughlin, John H., merchant, 269 West st.
Cowell, Edward J., inspector, Springside ave.
Cullen, William J., merchant, 269 West st.
Cummings, Peter, blacksmith, 35 Alder st.
Curtin, Peter P., merchant, 220 Wahconah ave.
Cutting, Walter, manufacturer, 41 Wendell ave.
Davenport, Edward S., dentist, 42 W. Housatonic st.
Denny, George T., printer, 69 W. Housatonic st.
Devanny, Daniel W., mason, 171 Francis ave.
Dewey, Wesley B., clerk, West Pittsfield.
Dimmick, William, supt. of poor, 27 Hamlin st.
Drake, Foster L., florist, 60 Appleton ave.
Drew, George W., carpenter, 56 Newell st.
Dutton, Frank W., merchant, 81 E. Housatonic st.
Eagen, James, grocer, 52 Circular ave.
England, Benjamin M., merchant, 201 Bradford st.
England, Daniel, merchant, 73 Union st.
Enright, Frank M., clerk, 296 West st.
Enright, John, carriage maker, 302 West st.
Enright, Thomas N., ins. agt., 11 Linden st.
Evans, David E., clerk, 41 Howard st.
Evon, Louis, carpenter, 15 Silver st.
Fallon, Michael H., real estate, 30 Alder st.
Farrell, Thomas H., druggist, 311 First st.
Feeley, John R., merchant, 96 River st.
Feeley, John, merchant, 103 Appleton ave.
Ferry, Fred G., merchant, 84 Elizabeth st.
Fielding, Gordon G., fireman, 13 Melville st.
Fish, George C., janitor, 55 Orchard st.
Foote, Andrew J., butcher, 239 North st.
Foote, George W., mason, 73 Bradford st.
Foote, William B., merchant, 13 Broad st.
Ford, Clarence B., merchant, 160 West st.
Ford, Nicholas, Jr., coachman, 215 Pomeroy ave.
Francis, Henry A., manufacturer, 1272 North st.
Francis, Mortimer D., station agt., West Pittsfield.
Fuller, James W., inspector, 42 Prospect st.
Fuller, Samuel, N., 595 North st.

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Gabeler, Addison W., dentist, Taconic st.
Gamwell, Cecil C., merchant, 140 Summer st.
Gamwell, Lorenzo H., Jr., merchant, 22 Henry ave.
Gardener, William R., Tyler st.
Gimlich, Jacob, brewer, 363 Columbus ave.
Glentz, Theodore R., carpenter, 205 Fenn st.
Gorman, John, emp. B. & A. R. R., 19 Lake st.
Gourley, Samuel A., foreman, 57 Pearl st.
Grant, Henry C., 13 Silver st.
Griffen, Anson C., clerk, 15 Lincoln st.
Guilford, Simeon, New Lenox road.
Hadselle, George H., farmer, West st.
Haight, Jonathan, ins. agt., 60 Broad st.
Hale, Frank L., farmer, Beaver st.
Hall, Arthur H., insurance agent, 49 Clinton ave.
Hall, Myron R., agent, 166 Union st.
Hall, Thomas E., merchant, 104 W. Housatonic st.
Hammond, Daniel H., farmer, Coltsville.
Hand, Frederick A., farmer, West st.
Harding, William G., manufacturer, 104 East st.
Harrington, Wm. F., just. of peace, 89 Robbins ave.
Hayden, John, blacksmith, 631 North st.
Hazard, Lucien D., clerk, 25 Elizabeth st.
Henry, Cyrus C., merchant, 20 Willis st.
Henry, Harvey E., 213 Fenn st.
Henry, Wellington K., box maker, 213 Fenn st.
Hill, William H., printer, 44 W. Housatonic st.
Hollis, Roswell, 273 Second st.
Holmes, James, mill employee, 73 Weller ave.
Hopkins, George N., merchant, 26 Linden st.
Horton, Emory S., carpenter, 36 Dunham st.
Horton, John T., carpenter, 11 Beaver st.
Howard, Jesse O., farmer, 566 South st.
Hubbard, Charles H., carpenter, 81 Daniels ave.
Hull, James W., insurance, 40 Appleton ave.
Humphrey, George, bookkeeper, 17 Stoddard ave.
Hungerford, Milian H., marble cutter, Stearnsville.
Ireland, Francis A., foreman, W. Housatonic st.
Jeffers, Edgar N., machinist, 52 Lake st.
Jones, Edward A., manufacturer, Wendell ave.
Jones, Thomas L., shoemaker, 71 First st.
Josselyn, W. E. K., bookkeeper, 20 Worthington st.
Judevine, George, farmer, Churchill st.
Keegan, James, shoemaker, 2 Cherry st.
Kells, Robert, merchant, 31 Wendell ave.
Kennedy, Alexander, merchant, 55 Appleton ave.
Kent, Henry K., real estate, 683 North st.

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Ker, John J., clerk, 41 Maplewood ave.
Kerr, D. Christie, grocer, 230 Fourth st.
King, Ebenezer, grocer, 1192 North st.
Kittle, James, bookkeeper, 48 Pomeroy ave.
Kuhn, Louis, Grocer, 168 Linden st.
Lahey, Michael J., 48 Wellington ave.
Larkin, Frank, moulder, 42 Division st.
Lawrence, Edgar T., merchant, 353 North st.
Lawton, Nelson J., coal dealer, 24 W. Housatonic st.
Learned, George Y., auditor, 100 Wendell ave.
Learned, Thomas H., ins. agt., 25 Henry ave.
Lee, John M., grocer, 232 Fenn st.
Lee, William P., merchant, 240 Fenn st.
Leidhold, Lewis, teamster, 12 Leidhold place.
Lewis, Joseph Ward, editor, 76 Henry ave.
Linnehan, Jeremiah M., grocer, 306 West st.
Linnehan, Wm. W., merchant, 116 Appleton ave.
Lowden, Thomas L., gardener, 255 Pomeroy ave.
Marr, Matthew A., weaver, 239 First st.
Maslen, Joseph, 23 Linden st.
Matthews, Thomas, blacksmith, 162 Madison ave.
Matthews, Michael, stone dealer, 162 Madison ave.
Mattoon, Charles G., farmer, 514 South st.
May, James H., ins. agt., 215 First st.
McMahon, Michael J., grocer, 31 Northrup st.
Meigs, Charles S., clerk, 223 East st.
Meigs, William D., clerk, 223 East st.
Merrill, Henry C., salesman, 1 Daniels ave.
Middlebrook, Cleber L., shoemaker, 91 Orchard st.
Mills, Arthur A., merchant, 332 North st.
Morrell, Alfred M., merchant, 35 Clinton ave.
Murdock, Geo. A., civil engineer, 43 Wahconah st.
Murphy, John J., druggist, 31 Hamlin st.
Murphy, John F., merchant, 181 Second st.
Myers, Harry W., clerk, 23 Kent ave.
Nagleschmidt, John, butcher, 167 Linden st.
Nash, Emory H., broker, 36 Maplewood ave.
Nash, Homer B., agent, 236 First st.
Nesbit, William, Jr,, mill foreman, 77 Weller ave.
Newman, Abraham J., merchant, 426 North st.
Nickerson, Joshua C., merchant, 287 Second st.
Nilan, James, B. & A.R.R. shop, 56 Wellington ave.
Noble, Clark D., moulder, 325 Fenn st.
Noble, John H., farmer, 309 Holmes road.
Noble, Walter T., machinist, 793 North st.
Noyes, Newton S., printer, 59 Third st.
Nugent, William, merchant, 76 Elizabeth st.

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O'Connell, William, blacksmith, 168 Beaver st.
O'Connor, John J., mason, 33 John st.
Orr, John G., ins. agt., 38 Henry ave.
Osgood, James E., merchant, 32 First st.
Owen, Harvey M., farmer, Dalton road.
Parker, Frederick S., ins. agt., 41 Daniels ave.
Parsons, Geo. B., merchant, 217 Francis ave.
Peaslee, Lorenzo G., grocer, 24 Crosby place.
Peck, Allen, clerk, 21 Pomeroy ave.
Peck, Don. M., B. & A. R. R. shop, 70 Pomeroy ave.
Pierce, Rush A., merchant, 267 West st.
Platt, Fred'k M., bookkeeper, 52 W. Housatonic st.
Power, Charles W., clerk, 97 W. Housatonic st.
Powers, John J., clerk, 271 Columbus ave.
Prediger, Henry, shoemaker, 64 Orchard st.
Price, Jacob W., shoemaker, 47 Orchard st.
Prince, William M., merchant, 22 Bartlett ave.
Printiss, Charles H., tailor, 22 Pearl st.
Proper, Hiram, carpenter, 87 Wellington ave.
Purches, Joseph E., clerk, 39 Maplewood ave.
Purnell, James O., manufacturer, 335 Wahconah st.
Raymond, Charles A., clerk, 195 Pomeroy ave.
Renfrew, Robert W., merchant, 114 Robbins ave.
Read, Franklin F., Jr., ins. agt., 441 Fenn st.
Rice, William B., manufacturer, 98 Union st.
Rice, William K., druggist, 118 Bradford st.
Richardson, Henry H., 124 E. Housatonic st.
Robbins, Eugene H., machinist, 24 W. Housatonic st.
Robbins, Henry M., painter, 57 Burbank st.
Root, Henry A., merchant, 11 Church st.
Rosenthal, Max G., merchant, 158 Francis ave.
Russell, Solomon N., manufacturer, 781 North st.
Ryan, John, fuller, Barkerville.
Schaff, Morris, 27 Pomeroy ave.
Scharley, Peter W., shoemaker, 308 First st.
Shearer, Joseph D., merchant, 157 Summer, st.
Shepardson, Jason N., supt. sts., 170 Linden st.
Sloan, William H., 59 Pomeroy ave.
Sloper, Charles W., ins. agent, 76 Maplewood ave.
Smith, Charles F., grocer, 70 Elizabeth st.
Smith, David C., clerk, 49 Daniels ave.
Smith, Franklin A., clerk, Barkerville.
Smith, G. Albert, clerk, 103 Bradford st.
Smith, George A., farmer, West st.
Smith, George W., merchant, 377 Fenn st.
Smith, Harvey S., farmer, West st.
Smith, James Harvey, farmer, West st.

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Smith, John S., merchant, 186 Second st.
Smith, Mark B., dyer, 702 North st.
Sprong, George E., bookkeeper, 63 Third st.
Stapleton, John, blacksmith, 35 Beaver st.
Stevens, Levi A., 54 E. Housatonic st.
Stevenson, John M., ins. agt., 28 Reed st.
Stewart, Anthony W., butcher, 97 Daniels ave.
St. James, Clement R., baker, 258 First st.
Stone, John B., ins. agt., 18 W. Housatonic st.
Streeter, Theron L., agent, 332 Fenn st
Strong, Charles R., carpenter, 18 Crosby place.
Strong, William H., farmer, 87 Holmes rd.
Talbot, Edwin A., merchant, 9 Linden st.
Taylor, Frank D., merchant, 106 Wendell ave.
Teeling, Rufus A., miller, 54 Wahconah st.
Tower, Edward J., farmer, 832 North st.
Traver, Henry, Jr., bookkeeper, 10 Worthington pl.
Tuttle, Charles H., tinner, 17 Daniels ave.
Tyler, Edwin B., shoemaker, 226 Fenn st.
VanDeusen, John F., merchant, 19 Broad st.
Vosburgh, Charles W., tinner, 256 Robbins ave.
Warner, John H., loom fixer, 228 Wahconah st.
Warner, Staples J., collector, 32 Francis ave.
Warren, Henry R., 515 South st.
Weed, Charles, carpenter, 94 Robbins ave.
Weldon, John T., wool sorter, Crane ave.
Weller, George E., farmer, Elm st.
Weller, Irving E., Hous. R. R. emp., 311 W. Hous. st
White, George H., bookkeeper, 373 Columbus ave.
White, James F., foreman Peck's, 214 Wahconah st.
White, John, brewer, 373 Columbus ave.
Whitney, Osborne A., liveryman, 10 Wellington ave
Willard, Robert E., druggist, 42 Pomeroy ave.
Williams, Eleazur, merchant, 43 Henry ave.
Wilson, James, manufacturer, Elizabeth st.
Winchell, George A., 358 West st.
Wolfe, Charles M., merchant, 213 Francis ave.
Wolfe, Louis, merchant, 35 Daniels ave.
Wollison, Herbert S., merchant, 58 Union st.
Wollison, Samuel L., bookkeeper, Taylor st.
Wood, Joseph H., merchant, 42 Howard st.
Wright, Arthur, lineman, 40 Burbank st.

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RECORDS OF ELECTIONS.

STATE ELECTION, HELD TUESDAY, NOV. 3, 1896.

ELECETORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT—AT LARGE.

	Wards.							
	1	2	3	5	5	6	7	Total
Ernest C. Marshall,	160	183	122	91	148	198	110	1012
Daniel W. Kenney,	159	183	122	91	148	198	110	1011
Henry Winn,	10	21	11	6	11	11	2	72
Edward Kendall,	1	1	1	7	1		3	14
Alfred W. Richardson,	1	1	1	7	1		3	14
George L. Lovell,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Patrick F. Griffin,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
John Q. A. Brackett,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
William H. Haile,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
Thomas J. Gargan,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
James S. Grinnell,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	139	165	121	90	107	143	72	837
Total,	1070	1456	1078	1156	942	1228	1124	8054

DISTRICT NO. ONE.

William B. Mahoney,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
Frank S. Gross,	9	20	9	5	10	10	2	65
Edward S. Rogers,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
Rudolph Fuchs,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Franklin Carter,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
James W. Hull,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	73	57	43	49	67	34	389
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. TWO.

Joseph F. Callanan,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
William M. E. Mellen,	9	21	11	6	11	11	2	71
Hubbard Lawrence,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
Frederick A. Nagler,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Augustus Coolidge,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
Leander B. Morse,		12	14	32	11	18	16	103
Blanks,	65	72	54	42	48	66	35	382
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

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DISTRICT NO. THREE.

Levi Barker,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
Enoch Earle,	9	21	11	6	11	11	2	71
John Holt,	1	1	2	7			3	14
Addison W. Barr,	19	8	1	1		5		37
Arthur F. Whitin,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
Eben S. Stevens,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	72	55	42	48	66	35	383
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. FOUR.

Henry J. Jaquith,	159	185	121	91	148	198	110	1002
Harry J. Jaquith,	10	19	11	6	11	11	2	80
Edward G. Watkins,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
William H. Keiser,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Charles H. Moulton,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
Charles J. Williams.		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	72	55	42	48	66	35	383
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. FIVE.

Michael O'Mahoney,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
James E. Donoghue,	9	21	11	6	11	11	2	71
James K. Fellows,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
Louis Gens,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Joseph Miller,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
Sam D. Stevens,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	72	55	42	48	66	35	383
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. SIX.

James P. Dearborn,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
Thomas Sanders,	9	21	11	6	11	11	2	71
Albert B. Coats,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
John F. Crabtree,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Sylvanus Smith,	281	431	336	399	250	316	396	2409
Robert S. Rantoul,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	72	55	42	48	66	35	383
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

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DISTRICT NO. SEVEN.

Edward B. Newhall,	161	183	122	91	148	198	110	1013
William J. Brickley,	9	21	11	6	11	11	2	71
Seth Weston,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
Louis Wolfson,	18	8	1	1	2	5		35
Edward W. LaCroix,	281	431	336	399	251	317	396	2411
Samuel K Hamilton,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	72	54	42	47	65	35	380
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. EIGHT.

John P. McCormick,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
Abijah Hall,	1	1	2	7	1		2	14
Squire E. Putney,	19	8	1	1	2	5	1	37
Robert O. Fuller,	281	431	336	399	251	317	396	2411
Godfrey Morse,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	74	93	66	48	58	76	37	452
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. NINE.

James J. Lanigan,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
William J. Burke,	9	21	11	6	11	11	2	71
Charles A. Abbott,	2	1	2	7	1		3	16
David Goldstein,	18	8	1	1	2	5		35
Peter Morrison,	281	431	336	399	251	317	396	2411
Sigourney Butler,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	72	55	42	47	65	35	381
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. TEN.

Quincy A. Lothrop,	169	203	132	97	168	209	112	1090
William J. Hurd,	1	1	2	7	1		2	14
Conrad Kersten,	19	8	1	1	2	5	1	37
John C. Cobb,	281	431	336	399	251	317	396	2411
Daniel L. Prendergast,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	73	55	42	38	65	35	373
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

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DISTRICT NO. ELEVEN.

William D. Leahy,	160	183	121	91	148	198	110	1011
James Jeffrey Roche,	9	21	11	6	11	11	2	71
William H. Partridge,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
Theodore Wuesteman,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Wilbur H. Powers,	281	431	336	399	250	317	396	2410
James E. Cotter,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	65	72	55	42	48	65	35	382
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. TWELVE.

Francis A. Hobart,	169	204	132	97	168	209	112	1091
Edwin Sawtelle,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
Henry A. Thomas,	281	431	336	399	250	317	396	2410
Charles G. Davis,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	84	80	56	43	41	70	35	409
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

DISTRICT NO. THIRTEEN.

Thomas J. Meaney,	160	184	121	91	148	198	110	1012
Charles H. Lane,	9	20	9	5	10	10	2	65
Charles A. Chace,	1	1	2	7	1		3	15
Frank Blauensteiner,	19	8	1	1	2	5		36
Edmund Anthony, Jr.,	282	431	336	399	250	317	396	2411
Louis B. Thacher,		12	13	32	11	18	16	102
Blanks,	64	72	57	43	49	66	35	386
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

GOVERNOR.

Thomas C. Brophy,	29	10	8		3	9	2	61
Allen Coffin,	2	4	5	6	2	3	4	26
Frederick O. Prince,	4	6	6	18	8	20	17	79
George Fred Williams, Democratic.	128	52	104	83	122	154	97	740
George Fred Williams, People's Party.	5	29	4	1	2	5	3	49
George Fred Williams, Dem. Bryan Nom. Papers,	14	9	15	16	25	21	8	108
Roger Wolcott,	227	399	305	398	218	261	358	2166
George Fred Williams,	5	114	1		4	7	2	133
Blanks,	121	105	91	56	87	134	71	665
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Christopher T. Callahan,	109	110	75	64	110	134	64	666
W. Murray Crane,	300	539	389	461	291	376	447	2803
Archibald Dakin,	1		2		1	1		5
James E. McConnell,	10	5	4	5	8	4	7	43
William W. Nash,	1	1	1	4	2	1	2	12
Moritz E. Ruther,	18	9	2			7		36
Blanks,	96	64	66	44	59	91	42	462
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

SECRETARY.

Asa F. Hall,	3	5	4	1		1	2	16
Waldo Lincoln,	12	41	25	39	23	43	35	218
William M. Olin,	235	391	303	382	210	256	341	2118
Joseph H. Potts,	127	153	92	77	127	155	94	825
Leroy D. Usher,	21	12	4		3	11	1	52
Willard O. Wylie,	3	2	3	5	2	2	5	22
Blanks,	134	124	108	74	106	146	84	776
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

TREASURER.

Charles G. F. Claus,	25	13	6		2	10	1	57
Robert C. Habberley,	4	5	5	7	6	4	2	33
Edward P. Shaw,	227	381	297	373	215	257	339	2089
Horace P. Tobey,	26	52	29	38	31	44	40	260
Thomas A. Watson,	117	145	102	84	118	146	88	800
Blanks,	136	132	100	76	99	153	92	788
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

AUDITOR.

Maurice P. Cavanaugh,	38	55	31	26	41	54	33	278
Maurice J. Fitzgerald,	96	141	78	64	104	136	68	687
Thomas A. Frissell,	2	6	7	10	4	7	5	41
John W. Kimball,	221	373	296	370	212	248	335	2055
Rufus H. Phinney,	23	11	4		3	5	2	48
William P. Proctor,	1		3	1	2		1	8
Charles C. Spellman,	7	21	13	30	12	18	26	127
Blanks,	147	121	107	77	93	146	92	783
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

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ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

John C. Chase,	27	15	5	3	1	10	1	62
Wolcott Hamlin,	2	5	5	9	3	4	3	31
Henry F. Hurlburt,	14	34	23	35	27	25	40	198
Hosea M. Knowlton,	223	373	296	369	217	251	340	2069
William H. Morse,	2	1	9	1	2		2	17
John B. O'Donnell,	133	178	93	89	129	178	92	892
Blanks,	134	122	108	72	92	146	84	758
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

COUNCILLOR.

Enos W. Boise,	153	221	131	134	159	227	147	1172
Charles A. Towne,	231	372	294	356	214	258	326	2051
Blanks,	151	135	114	88	98	129	89	804
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

SENATOR.

George P. Lawrence,	241	372	298	355	206	270	347	2089
Charles E. West,	172	241	161	153	182	233	148	1290
Alden B. Whipple,	4	6	6	11	5	6	8	46
Blanks,	118	109	74	59	78	105	59	602
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT.

Harry M. Acly,	5	6	5	4	4	7	7	38
George W. Bailey,	128	206	138	198	136	198	154	1158
Joseph H. Daly,	175	220	141	131	183	226	159	1235
Edward N. Robbins,	242	383	305	330	245	274	311	2095
Zadock A. Ward,	6	7	11	10	7	6	17	62
William A. Whittlesey,	200	377	284	345	204	244	298	1952
Blanks,	314	256	194	138	165	273	178	1518
Herman Koepke,		1						1
Total,	1070	1456	1078	1156	942	1228	1124	8054

CLERK OF COURTS.

Frank H. Cande,	220	397	295	327	207	269	324	2039
Augustus R. Smith,	4	7	6	6	7	3	3	36
John F. Van Deusen,	177	232	176	207	197	246	183	1418
Taft,				2				2
Blanks,	134	92	61	36	60	96	52	531
Hiram B. Wellington,			1					1
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER.								
John Churchill,	188	241	157	162	179	225	157	1309
John H. Smith,	3	3	10	5	3	2	5	31
William P. Wood,	222	409	300	367	228	298	350	2174
Manning,				2		1		3
Blanks,	122	75	72	42	61	88	50	510
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.								
John Bascom,	3	8	10	16	3	5	8	53
Patrick H. Sheehan,	163	242	134	120	173	229	120	1181
Ashley B. Wright,	234	395	321	394	233	277	369	2223
Blanks,	135	83	74	48	62	103	65	570
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027
CONSTITUTIONL AMENDMENT, 1ST ARTICLE.								
Yes,	139	271	195	309	155	187	241	1497
No,	116	129	121	73	68	108	66	681
Blanks,	280	328	223	196	248	319	255	1849
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT, 2D ARTICLE.								
Yes,	126	248	173	281	145	167	218	1358
No,	103	125	118	73	65	99	61	644
Blanks,	306	355	248	224	261	348	283	2025
Total,	535	728	539	578	471	614	562	4027

CITY ELECTION HELD TUESDAY, DEC. 1, 1896.

	Wards.							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total.
MAYOR.								
W. F. Hawkins,	223	368	288	377	224	240	334	2054
C. W. Wright,	288	292	207	149	219	317	189	1661
Herman Koepke,		2						2
Blanks,	19	16	10	4	10	18	8	85
Total,	530	678	505	530	453	575	531	3802

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ALDERMEN.

Peter Burns,	242							
Henry A. Francis,	281							
George H. Brodie,		309						
P. W. Goewey,		249						
E. H. Nash,		98						
Henry Kreiss,		1						
R. Robenstein,		1						
F. W. Couch,			162					
G. W. Smith,			328					
W. D. MacInnes,				380				
N. A. Mills,				144				
W. M. Prince,				1				
James T. Goggins,					217			
John N. Robbins,					229			
John McQuaid,						257		
P. J. Moore,						278		
M. J. McMahon,							149	
E. A. Talbot,							367	
Blanks,	7	20	15	5	7	40	15	
Totals,	530	678	505	530	453	575	531	3802

COUNCILMEN—TWO YEARS.

O. T. Benedict,	215							
M. J. Madden,	288							
J. J. St. James,		349						
C. H. Waite,		306						
B. F. Mills,			251					
J. O'Connell,			244					
H. S. Russell,				453				
W. R. Plunkett,				1				
E. Boltwood,				1				
P. J. Moore,				1				
James Harding,					190			
John C. Morrow,					250			
Arthur Cowlin,						281		
H. E. Kloseman,						259		
Louis Burns,							157	
C. H. Wright,							352	
Blanks,	27	23	10	74	13	35	22	
Totals,	530	678	505	530	453	575	531	3802

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COUNCILMEN TO FILL VACANCY.

M. H. Fallon,	87	
Charles Frank,	240	
A. E. French,	197	
Daniel England,		297
S. S. Wheeler,		217
Blanks,	51	17
Totals,	575	531

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—THREE YEARS.

C. J. Boylan,	289		
Walter T. Noble,	219		
James D. Shipton,	226		
J. T. Wheldon,	241		
E. H. Bridgman,		494	
W. M. Mercer,		517	
W. K. Rice,			317
M. Rosenthal,			193
Blanks,	85	347	24
Totals,	1060	1358	534

LICENSE.

Yes,	356	340	247	234	249	361	263	2050
No,	148	310	233	273	185	195	240	1584
Blanks,	26	28	25	23	19	19	28	168
Totals,	530	678	505	530	453	575	531	3802

ASSESSED POLLS.

December 1, 1896,	828	1010	778	741	740	997	822	5916

REGISTERED VOTERS.

December 1, 1896, Male,	591	801	609	626	540	714	619	4500
Female,		8	8	17	2	1	10	46

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. HILL,
City Clerk.

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REPORT

OF THE

CITY TREASURER.

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REPORT

OF THE

CITY TREASURER.

To the Mayor and City Council:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the report of the City Treasurer for the fiscal year ending January 4, 1897:

Cash on hand January 6, 1896,	$20,278 28
Receipts during the year,	643,886 18
	$664,164 46
Payments during the year,	644,441 39
Balance on hand,	$19,723 07

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand,	$20,278 28
Liquor Licenses,	37,312 00
Wm. Dimick, Supt.,	489 92
W. I. Walker,	45 80
E. P. Kendrick, Gdn.,	84 96
Peter Reid, care of Jno. M. Reid,	58 82
City of Northampton,	160 62
" " Quincy,	56 20
" " Chicopee,	8 61
Town of Hardwick,	111 90
" " East Longmeadow,	51 58
" " Washington,	177 58
" " Becket,	101 81
" " Adams,	25 80
" " Chester,	20 93
" " West Stockbridge,	81 08
" " Dalton,	63 87
" " Hancock,	4 10

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Town of Westboro,	2 05
" " Lanesboro,	5 00
" " Lenox,	72 00
Support of State Paupers,	382 96
Temporary Support "	116 12
Transportation "	27 00
Burial, "	55 00
Burial of Indigent Soldier,	35 00
State Aid,	2,291 00
Expenses of Contagious Diseases,	6 50
Corporation Taxes,	12,669 07
National Bank Tax, non-resident,	2,097 28
State Highway Loan Fund,	1,544 29
Dr. G. N. Kinnell, Milk Licenses,	21 00
W. B. Smith, Clerk District Court, Fines,	1,301 00
C. W. Fuller, Sheriff, Fines,	166 00
Geo. H. Tucker, County Treasurer, Dog Fund,	988 37
Edward Cain, City Clerk, Fees,	12 50
E. C. Hill, City Clerk, "	966 10
" " " Emergent Fund returned,	50 00
Wm. Dimick, Supt., " " "	50 00
Board of Public Works, Emergent Fund returned,	100 00
" " " " Sewer Emergent Fund returned,	50 00
John Nicholson, Chief of Police, Witness Fees,	69 20
" " " " " Weighing "	231 95
" " " " " O. L. Wood, Services,	5 00
" " " " " O. S. Fish, "	2 00
" " " " " W, G. White, "	2 00
" " " " " Use of Station,	9 75
" " " " " " " Store Room,	50 00
" " " " " " " Teams,	95 95
" " " " " Miscellaneous,	3 17
Town of Lanesboro, account of Fire Dept.,	100 00
H. B. Nash, Sale of Powers House,	37 00
" Sale of Stone Crusher,	100 00
" Sale of Elizabeth Street School House,	107 00
New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. Co.,	910 39
Pittsfield Electric Street Railway Co.,	1,273 19
Eugene Bouton, Supt., Tuition,	389 70
" " Other Sources,	4 96
F. R. Strong, Tax Collector :	
Taxes, 1893,	83 22
" 1894,	7,186 09
" 1895,	22,961 28
" 1896,	225,212 18
Water Rates,	33,008 33
Metered Water,	8,869 41

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Miscellaneous,		822 17
" Highways,		11 00
Sidewalks,		12 10
Sidewalk Assessments,		2,127 46
Sewer Assessments,		18,425 80
Sewer Connections and Water Works Maintenance,		4,923 64
Loans in Anticipation of Taxes :		
Curtis & Motley,		25,000 00
Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,		15,000 00
Curtis & Motley,		20,000 00
Housatonic Nat. Bank,		10,000 00
Curtis & Motley,		15,000 00
Zenas Crane,		10,000 00
W. C. Dalzell,		5,000 00
Loans for New School Buildings :		
P. M. Taylor, Russells School,	$15,000 00	
Berksire Life Ins. Co., Russells School,	7,950 00	
Curtis & Motley, " "	2,000 00	
		24,950 00
Berkshire Life Ins. Co., Elizabeth St. School,	$7,000 00	
Berkshire Life Ins. Co., Elizabeth St. School,	8,000 00	
Curtis & Motley, Elizabeth St. School,	8,000 00	
		23,000 00
P. M. Taylor, West & John St. School,		10,000 00
Berkshire Life Ins. Co., High School,	$15,000 00	
W. C. Dalzell, " "	5,000 00	
Agricultural Nat. Bank, " "	10,000 00	
A. M. A. Atwater, " "	10,000 00	
A. P. Walker. Jr., " "	5,000 00	
Curtis & Motley, " "	26,000 00	
L. W. Mallary, " "	5,000 00	
		76,000 00
Loans for Water Extension :		
Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	$10,000 00	
Curtis & Motley,	9,000 00	
		19,000 00
Loans for New Sewers :		
Mary M. Clapp,		2,000 00
Interest on balance,		38 42
		$664,164 46

EXPENDITURES, 1896.

Election Expenses,	$831 43
Contingent Expense Police Department,	2,348 87

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Sewer and Water Connections,	4,248 34
Pearl Street Macadam,	60
Completion and Furnishing City Hall,	1,748 08
City Loan of 1894,	8,000 00
Ashley Lake Survey,	575 06
Fire Department Furnishings,	1,500 00
Memorial Day,	250 00
Dalton Avenue Survey,	98 55
Dalton Avenue Bridge,	2,943 13
Use of Hydrants,	5,190 00
Committee on Highways,	100 00
Berkshire Athenæum,	2,000 00
New Sewer Debt,	10,000 00
Office Expenses License Commissioners,	25 00
Water Works Debt,	19,000 00
Bradford Street Surface Drain,	2,999 15
Pontoosuc Avenue,	3,129 36
Permanent Improvement,	5 00
Repair of Buildings,	300 00
Fitting up No. 1 Engine House,	200 00
Repairs on Burbank and Tyler Streets,	2,492 67
Construction of Bicycle Path,	255 86
Contingent Public Works,	1,494 29
New Barns, Almshouse,	2,574 76
Pomeroy Bridge,	8,487 54
Grading Alder and Elizabeth Streets,	500 00
Surface Drainage,	5,699 09
Center Street Sewer,	2,960 90
Repairs to Pest House,	170 85
Improvements, Peck's Road,	1,745 47
Bridge Repairs,	844 40
Pearl Street Tool House,	917 95
Water Works Extension,	21,676 96
Crosswalks and Cleaning,	2,189 95
Mill Brook,	815 13
New Sewers,	2,265 86
Orchard Street Brick School House,	2,799 22
Elizabeth Street School Building,	26,787 94
West and John St. " "	7,285 79
Russell's " "	19,851 56
Sewer Notes paid,	14,000 00
High School Building,	86,526 72
Furniture, Elizabeth Street School,	1,500 00
" Russells,	1,400 00
State Treasurer, one-fourth Liquor Licenses,	9,328 00
County Tax, 1896,	21,317 35
Repairs, Care and Flushing Sewers,	644 51

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Interest on City Debt,	9,273 47
" " Water Debt,	11,896 35
City Hall, Light, Heat and Care,	1,886 90
Insurance,	2,152 78
Parks and Common,	281 57
Lighting Streets,	11,633 65
Sidewalks,	4,395 92
Water Works Maintenance,	5,834 96
State Highways,	3,517 74
Miscellaneous,	7,499 94
Highways,	16,050 38
State Aid,	2,491 00
Soldiers' Relief,	1,965 29
Almshouse,	5,485 56
Public Schools,	73,000 00
Outside Poor,	11,291 58
Books, Stationery and Printing,	1,959 39
Fire Department,	15,724 83
City Officers,	36,450 90
Temporary Loans,	80,000 00
Interest on Sewer Debt,	10,912 92
State Tax, 1896,	9,415 00
National Bank Tax,	9,295 92
	$644,441 39
Balance on hand,	19,723 07
	$664,164 46

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfer.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Over-Draft.
Almshouse	$5,500.00			$5,500.00	$5,485.56	$14.44	
Berkshire Athenæum	2,000.00			2,000.00	2,000.00		
Books, Stationery and Printing	2,000.00			2,000.00	1,959.39	40.61	
Bradford Street Surface Drain	3,000.00			3,000.00	2,999.15	85	
Bridge Repairs	4,700.00		$4,700.00				
Transfer to Surface Drainage		$1,500.00					
Transfer to Surface Drainage		1,000.00					
Transfer to Highways		1,000.00					
Transfer to Repairs, Care and Flushing Sewers		350.00	3,850.00				
				850.00	844.40	5.60	
City Officers' Salaries	37,060.00			37,060.00	36,450.90	609.10	
City Loan of 1894				8,000.00	8,000.00		
Contingent Expenses, Police Department	2,100.00		2,100.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		250.00	250.00				
				2,350.00	2,348.87	1.13	
Contingent Expenses, Public Works	1,500.00			1,500.00	1,494.29	5.71	
Construction of Bicycle Paths							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		300.00		300.00	255.86	44.14	
Connecting eaves at City Hall and Police Station with Sewer							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		150.00		150.00		150.00	
Committee on Highways	100.00			100.00	100.00		
Completion and Furnishing City Hall	1,750.00			1,750.00	1,748.08	1.92	
City Hall, Light, Heating and Care	2,200.00			2,200.00	1,886.90	313.10	
Crosswalks and Cleaning	2,200.00			2,200.00	2,189.95	10.05	
Center Street Sewer							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,960.90	39.10	
Dalton Avenue Bridge	1,500.00		1,500.00				
Transfer from Highways		169.94	169.94				
Received from Pittsfield Electric St. R. R. Co.			1,273.19				
				2,943.13	2,943.13		
Dalton Avenue Survey for State Highway							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		100.00		100.00	98.55	1.45	
Election Expenses	800.00		800.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		31.43	31.43				
				831.43	831.43		
Enlarging Brick School House, Orchard st., bills of 1895	945.57		945.57				
Enlarging Brick School House, Orchard st., Bal. 1895			1,680.62				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		173.03	173.03				
				2,799.22	2,799.22		
Fire Department	14,900.00		14,900.00				
Additional Appropriation			100.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		750.00	750.00				
				15,750.00	15,724.83	25.17	
Fire Department Furnishings	1,500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00		
Fitting up No. 1 Engine House							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		200.00		200.00	200.00		
Grading Alder and Elizabeth Streets							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		500.00		500.00	500.00		
Highways	14,000.00		14,000.00				
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		1,000.00					
Transfer from Sidewalks		600.00					
			1,600.00				

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.—Continued.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfers.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Overdraft.
Additional Appropriation			$626.40				
			16,226.40				
Transfer to Dalton Avenue Bridge		$169.94	169.94				
				$16,056.46	$16,050.38	$6.08	
Interest on Water Debt	$14,000.00			14,000.00	11,896.35	2,103.65	
Interest on City Debt	17,000.00		17,000.00				
Transfer to Miscellaneous Expenses		5,000.00	5,000.00				
				12,000.00	9,273.47	2,726.53	
Interest on Sewer Debt	12,000.00			12,000.00	10,912.92	1,087.08	
Insurance	900.00		900.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,300.00	1,300.00				
				2,200.00	2 152.78	47.22	
Improvements on Pecks Road							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,750.00		1,750.00	1,745.47	4.53	
Lighting Streets	12,000.00			12,000.00	11,633.65	366.35	
Memorial Day	250.00			250.00	250.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	35 403.69		35,403.69				
Transfer from Permanent Improvement		3,995 00					
Transfer from Interest on City Debt		5,000.00	8,995.00				
			44,398.69				
Transfer to Dalton Ave., Survey for State Highway		100.00					
Transfer to Fitting up No. 1 Engine House		200.00					
Transfer to Repairs on Tyler and Burbank Streets		2,500.00					
Transfer to Insurance		300.00					
Transfer to Construction of Bicycle Paths		300.00					
Transfer to Connecting eaves at City Hall and Police Station with Sewer		150.00					
Transfer to New Barns at Almshouse		3,800.00					
Transfer to Surface Drainage		1,200.00					
Transfer to Pomeroy Bridge		8,000.00					
Transfer to Grading Alder and Elizabeth Streets		500.00					
Transfer to Repairs to Pest House		200.00					
Transfer to Center Street Sewer		3,000.00					
Transfer to Improvements on Peck's Road		1,750.00					
Transfer to Pontoosuc Avenue		2,750.00					
Transfer to Pearl Street Tool House		1,000.00					
Transfer to Insurance		1,000.00					
Transfer to Pomeroy Bridge		900.00					
Transfer to Outside Poor		1,400.00					
Transfer to Fire Department		750.00					
Transfer to Enlarging Brick School House, Orchard Street		173.03					
Transfer to Pearl Street Macadam		60					
Transfer to State Highway, Bills of 1895		12.00					
Transfer to Soldiers' Relief		250.00					
Transfer to State Aid		300.00					
Transfer to Contingent Expenses Police Department		250.00					
Transfer to Election Expenses		31.43					
Transfer to Russell's School House		805.30	31,622.36				
			12,776.33				
Received Emergent Fund City Clerk			50.00				
				12,826.33	7,499.94	5,326.39	
New Barns at Almshouse							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		3.800.00		3,800.00	2,574.76	1,225.24	

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.—Continued.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfers.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Over-Draft.
New Sewer Debt.	$10,000.00			$10,000.00	$10,000.00		
Outside Poor.	9,500.00		$9,500.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		$1,400.00	1,400.00				
Received Emergent Fund, Overseers of Poor			50.00				
				10,950.00	11,291.58		$341.58
Office Expenses of License Commissioners	25.00			25.00	25.00		
Public Schools	73,000.00			73,000.00	73,000.00		
Parks and Common	300.00			300.00	281.57	$18.43	
Pearl Street Macadam							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		60		60	60		
Permanent Improvement	4,000.00		4,000.00				
Transfer to Miscellaneous Expenses.		3,995.00	3,995.00				
				5.00	5.00		
Pontoosuc Avenue	500.00		500.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		2,750.00	2,750.00				
				3,250.00	3,129.36	120.64	
Pomeroy Bridge							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		8,000.00					
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		900.00					
				8,900.00	8,487.54	412.46	
Pearl Street Tool House							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,000.00		1,000.00	917.95	82.05	
Repairs, care and Flushing Sewers	500.00		500.00				
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		350.00	350.00				
				850.00	644.51	205.49	
Repairs of Buildings other than School Houses	300.00			300.00	300.00		
Repairs on Tyler and Burbank streets							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,492.67	7.33	
Repairs to Pest House							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		200.00		200.00	170.85	29.15	
Soldiers' Relief	1,800.00		1,800.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses.		250.00	250.00				
				2,050.00	1,965.29	84.71	
State Aid	2,200.00		2,200.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		300.00	300.00				
				2,500.00	2,491.00	9.00	
State Highway, bills of 1895	3,505.74		3,505.74				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		12.00	12.00				
				3,517.74	3,517.74		
Sidewalks	5,000.00		5,000.00				
Transfer to Highways		600.00	600.00				
				4,400.00	4,395.92	4.08	
Sewer and Water Connections	2,000.00		2,000.00				
Additional Appropriation			1,000.00				
Additional Appropriation			1,000.00				
Additional Appropriation			250.00				
				4,250.00	4,248.34	1.66	
Surface Drainage	2,000.00		2,000.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,200.00					
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		1,500.00					
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		1,000.00	3,700.00				
				5,700.00	5,699.09	91	
Use of Hydrants	5,190.00			5,190.00	5,190.00		

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.—Continued.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfers.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Overdraft.
Water Works Maintenance	$7,000.00		$7,000.00				
Rebate on Taxes, Town of Wasnington			2.26				
Additional Appropriation			271.24				
				$7,273.50	$5,834.96	$1,438.54	
Water Works Extension	3,000.00		3,000.00				
Water Loan Note			19,000.00				
				22,000.00	21,676.96	323 04	
Water Works Debt	19,000.00			19,000.00	19,000.00		
Totals	$338,130.00			$370,628.41	$354,077.06	$16,892.93	$341.58
				341.58		354,077.06	
				$370,969.99		$370,969.99	

Unexpended Balance of Loans 1894–5, and Notes 1896.	Transfers.	Amount.	Expended	Overdraft 1895.	Unexpended Balances.	Overdraft, 1896.
Ashley Lake Survey						
Transfer from Mill Brook Water addition	$700.00					
Transfer to Mill Brook Water addition	124.94					
		$575.06	$575.06			
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, ⅓ Liquor License		9,328.00	9,328 00			
County Tax		21,317.35	21,317 35			
Elizabeth Street School House		27,459.78	26,787.94		$671.84	
Furniture for Russell School House			1,400.00			$1,400.00
Furniture for Elizabeth Street School House			1,500.00			1,500.00
Hathaway Brook		11.75			11.75	
Hancock Road Water Extension		305.77			305.77	
High School Building		87,591.77	86,526.72		1,065.05	
Mill Brook Water Addition	$1,390.19					
Transfer to Ashley Lake Survey	700.00					
	690.19					
Transfer from Ashley Lake Survey	124.94					
		815.13	815.13			
New High School Site		377 18			377.18	
National Bank Tax		9,295 92	9,295 92			
New Sewers		2,000.00	2,235.86	$89 52		355.38
Pontoosuc Water Extension		8.93			8.93	
Pecks Road Water Extension		16			16	
Russell School House		25,755.30	19,851.56	5,903.74		
South Street Water Extension		51.57			51.57	
Sewer Notes, paid from Sewer assessments		14,000.00	14,000 00			
State Tax		9,415 00	9,415.00			
Temporary Loans		80,000.00	80,000.00			
West and John Street School House		10,000.00	7,285.79	1,383.60	1,330.61	
		$298,308.67	$290 364.33	$7,376 86	$3,822.86	$3,255 38
		3,255.38			7,376.86	
					290,364.33	
		$301,564.05			$301,564.05	

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LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF PITTSFIELD, JANUARY 4, 1897.

WATER DEBT.

4 per cent	Coupon Bonds, due May 1st, 1916,	$50,000 00
4 " "	" " $5,000, Sept. 1st each year,	85,000 00
4 " "	Registered Bonds, due Nov. 1st, 1908,	45,000 00
4 " "	Note, Berk. Co. Savings Bank, Sept. 1st, 1896,	2,000 00
4 " "	" " " " " " " " "	1,300 00
5 " "	" City Savings Bank, " " "	5,000 00
5 " "	Berkshire Life Ins. Co., Demand,	10,000 00
5 " "	" " " " Sept. 1st, 1897,	10,000 00
5 " "	" " " " " " "	36,000 00
5 " "	" " " " " " "	10,000 00
5 " "	" " " " " " "	3,000 00
5 " "	" " " " " " "	30,000 00
4½ " "	Curtis & Motley, " " "	9,000 00
		$296,300 00

NEW SEWER DEBT.

4 per cent	Bonds, $10,000, June 1st, each year,	$220,000 00
4 " "	Note, Berkshire Co. Savings Bank, Nov. 21, 1894,	10,000 00
4 " "	" " " " " Sept, 1, 1895,	5,000 00
5 " "	" Berkshire Life Ins. Co., Demand,	15,000 00
4½ " "	" M. M. Clapp, Demand,	2,000 00
		$252,000 00

SCHOOL LOANS.

4 per cent	Note, Housatonic Nat. Bank, Sept. 1st, 1896,	$3,800 00
4 " "	" " " " " " "	2,200 00
4 " "	" " " " " " "	1,500 00
4 " "	" " " " " " "	6,000 00
5 " "	" City Savings Banks, " " "	5,000 00
5 " "	" " " " " " "	5,000 00
4 " "	" Berkshire Life Ins. Co., June 30, 1897,	7,950 00
4 " "	" " " " " " "	15,000 00
4 " "	" " " " " " "	7,000 00
4 " "	" " " " " " "	8,000 00
5 " "	" W. C. Dalzell, March 1, 1897,	5,000 00
4 " "	" Agricultural Nat. Bank, Demand,	10,000 00
6 " "	" A. M. A. Atwater, March 12, 1897,	10,000 00
5 " "	" Berkshire Life Ins. Co., Sept. 1, 1897,	15,900 00
5 " "	" " " " " " "	10,000 00
5 " "	" " " " " " "	5,000 00

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5½ " " "	Curtis & Motley, July 1, 1897,	25,000 00
5½ " " "	" " " " "	25,000 00
5 " " "	L. W. Mallory, Sept. 1, 1897,	5,000 00
5 " " "	A. P. Walker, Jr., Sept. 1, 1897,	5,000 00
4½ " " "	Curtis & Motley,	26,000 00
4½ " " "	" " " " "	8,000 00
4½ " " "	" " " " "	2,000 00
		$213,350 00

Temporary Loans in anticipation of taxes of 1896:

4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Ins. Co., Dec. 1, 1896,	$15,000 00
6 per cent. Note W. C. Dalzell, Dec. 15, 1896,	5,000 00
	$20,000 00

DEBT STATEMENT.

Water Bonds and Notes,	$296,300 00
Sewer Bonds and Notes,	252,000 00
School Notes,	213,350 00
Temporary Loans of 1896,	20,000 00
	$781,650 00

PAYMENTS ON CITY DEBT.

City Loan of 1894,	$8,000 00
Sewer Bonds due June 1, 1896,	10,000 00
Water Bonds due Sept. 1, 1896,	5,000 00
Water Note to Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	5,000 00
Water Note to Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	4,000 00
Water Note to State St. Safe Dep. & Trust Co.,	4,800 00
Water Note to Berk. Co. Savings Bank, (part payment,)	200 00
Sewer Notes from Sewer Assessments,	14,000 00
	$51,000 00

INTEREST PAYMENTS ON CITY LOANS.

Water Bonds and Notes,	$11,896 35
Sewer Bonds and Notes,	10,912 92
City Loans, (School Loans included,)	9,273 47
	$32,082 74

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STATEMENT OF BALANCE ON HAND.

Certified Bank Balances:		
Pittsfield National Bank,		$4,029 73
Third " "		3,752 73
Agricultural " "	$2,863 01	
Checks outstanding,	68 83	
		$2,794 18
Berkshire Loan and Trust Co.		2,058 67
Paid City Warrants for 1897,		7,087 76
Total,		$19,723 07

Respectfully submitted,

ERWIN H. KENNEDY, City Treas.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, FEB. 11, 1897.

Accepted and placed on file and sent down for concurrance.

EDWARD C. HILL, Clerk.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, FEB. 17, 1897.

Accepted and placed on file in concurrence.

JOHN H. EELLS, Clerk.

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PITTSFIELD, MASS.

Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Debt, 1883—1897.

	Receipts.	Expenditures.	Balance.	Debt.	Sinking Fund.
1883.					
Town,	$179,113 62	$168,450 29	$10,663 33	$182,000 00	.....
Fire Dist.,	47,457 91	47,284 49	173 42	205,000 00	$40,500 00
Total,	226,571 53	215,734 78	10,836 75	387,000 00	.....
1884.					
Town,	185,072 44	182,840 08	2,232 36	182,000 00	.....
Fire Dist.,	43,137 69	42,842 92	295 77	203,000 00	51,000 00
Total,	228,210 13	225,683 00	2,527 13	385,000 00	.....
1885.					
Town,	181,138 99	175,895 22	5,243 77	182,000 00	.....
Fire Dist.,	54,009 04	53,903 09	105 95	208,500 00	62,000 00
Total,	235,148 03	229,798 31	5,349 72	390,500 00	.....
1886.					
Town,	194,685 54	193,314 31	1,371 23	182,000 00	.....
Fire Dist..	55,499 14	54,307 46	1,191 68	201.000 00	62,000 44
Total,	250,184 68	247,621 77	2,562 91	283,000 00	.....
1887.					
Town,	199,336 45	198,887 89	448 56	208,550 00	.....
Fire Dist.,	55,464 01	55,356 90	107 11	199,600 00	84,845 99
Total,	254,800 46	254,244 79	555 67	408,150 00	.....
1888.					
Town,	288,594 07	280,928 14	7,665 93	209,600 00	.....
Fire Dist.,	72,911 49	65,296 85	7,614 64	195,000 00	97,424 99
Total,	361,505 56	346,224 99	15,280 57	404,600 00	.....

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Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, etc.—Continued.

	Receipts.	Expenditures.	Balance.	Debt.	Sinking Fund.
1889.					
Town.	$238,824 85	$237,110 17	$1,714 68	$204,800 00	.....
Fire Dist.,	103,888 12	103,377 71	510 41	218,000 00	$110,204 99
Total,	342,712 97	340,487 88	2,225 09	422,800 00	.....
1890-'91. (9 Months)					
Town,	236,563 44	227,177 21	9,386 23	216,000 00	.....
Fire Dist.,	57,128 59	54,650 42	2,478 17	213,000 00	123,902 33
Total,	293,692 03	281,827 63	11,864 40	429,000 00	.....
1891.					
1st y'r City to Jan. 4,'92	394,971 46	389,034 73	5,936 73	411,000 00	137,829 86
Account of N'w Sew'rs	47,050 00	46,536 70	513 30	47,000 00	.....
1892.					
2nd y'r City to Jan. 4,'93	395,481 92	373,423 46	22,058 46	413,000 00	152,464 14
Account of N'w Sew'rs	150,011 15	129,824 85	20,186 30	191,000 00	.....
1893.					
3rd y'r City to Jan. 1,'94	417,688 51	405,957 39	11,731 12	422,000 00	167,652 89
Account of N'w Sew'rs	290,706 16	288,737 63	1,968 53	269,000 00	.....
1894.					
4th y'r City to Jan. 7,'95 including N'w Sewr's	515,140 51	483,806 92	31,333 59	728,000 00	183,614 11
1895.					
5th y'r City to Jan. 6,'96	728,459 45	708,181 17	20,278 28	657,700 00	
1896.					
6th y'r City to Jan. 4,'97	664,164 46	644,441 39	19,723 07	761,650 00	

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REPORT

OF THE

CITY AUDITOR.

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REPORT

OF THE

CITY AUDITOR.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council of the City of Pittsfield.

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with the requirements of the City Ordinances, the undersigned herewith presents the sixth annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the City of Pittsfield for the financial year ending January 6th, 1897, with a detailed statement of each department, and a statement showing the assets and liabilities, and the rate of interest, and date on which bonds and notes are payable, and a schedule of city property.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE Y. LEARNED,
City Auditor.

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfer.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Over-Draft.
Almshouse	$5,500.00			$5,500.00	$5,485.56	$14.44	
Berkshire Athenæum	2,000.00			2,000.00	2,000.00		
Books, Stationery and Printing	2,000.00			2,000.00	1,959.39	40.61	
Bradford Street Surface Drain	3,000.00			3,000.00	2,999.15	85	
Bridge Repairs	4,700.00		$4,700.00				
Transfer to Surface Drainage		$1,500.00					
Transfer to Surface Drainage		1,000.00					
Transfer to Highways		1,000.00					
Transfer to Repairs, Care and Flushing Sewers		350.00	3,850.00				
				850.00	844.40	5.60	
City Officers' Salaries	37,060.00			37,060.00	36,450.90	609.10	
City Loan of 1894				8,000.00	8,000.00		
Contingent Expenses, Police Department	2,100.00		2,100.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		250.00	250.00				
				2,350.00	2,348.87	1.13	
Contingent Expenses, Public Works	1,500.00			1,500.00	1,494.29	5.71	
Construction of Bicycle Paths							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		300.00		300.00	255.86	44.14	
Connecting eaves at City Hall and Police Station with Sewer							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		150.00		150.00		150.00	
Committee on Highways	100.00			100.00	100.00		
Completion and Furnishing City Hall	1,750.00			1,750.00	1,748.08	1.92	
City Hall, Light, Heating and Care	2,200.00			2,200.00	1,886.90	313.10	
Crosswalks and Cleaning	2,200.00			2,200.00	2,189.95	10.05	
Center Street Sewer							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,960.90	39.10	
Dalton Avenue Bridge	1,500.00		1,500.00				
Transfer from Highways		169.94	169.94				
Received from Pittsfield Electric St. R. R. Co.			1,273.19				
				2,943.13	2,943.13		
Dalton Avenue Survey for State Highway							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		100.00		100.00	98.55	1.45	
Election Expenses	800.00		800.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		31.43	31.43				
				831.43	831.43		
Enlarging Brick School House, Orchard st., bills of 1895	945.57		945.57				
Enlarging Brick School House, Orchard st., Bal. 1895			1,680.62				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		173.03	173.03				
				2,799.22	2,799.22		
Fire Department	14,900.00		14,900.00				
Additional Appropriation			100.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		750.00	750.00				
				15,750.00	15,724.83	25.17	
Fire Department Furnishings	1,500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00		
Fitting up No. 1 Engine House							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		200.00		200.00	200.00		
Grading Alder and Elizabeth Streets							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		500.00		500.00	500.00		
Highways	14,000.00		14,000.00				
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		1,000.00					
Transfer from Sidewalks		600.00					
			1,600.00				

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.—Continued.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfers.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Overdraft.
Additional Appropriation			$626.40				
			16,226.40				
Transfer to Dalton Avenue Bridge.		$169.94	169.94				
				$16,056.46	$16,050.38	$6.08	
Interest on Water Debt	$14,000.00			14,000.00	11,896.35	2,103.65	
Interest on City Debt	17,000.00		17,000.00				
Transfer to Miscellaneous Expenses		5,000.00	5,000.00				
				12,000.00	9,273.47	2,726.53	
Interest on Sewer Debt	12,000.00			12,000.00	10,912.92	1,087.08	
Insurance	900.00		900.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,300.00	1,300.00				
				2,200.00	2,152.78	47.22	
Improvements on Pecks Road							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,750.00		1,750.00	1,745.47	4.53	
Lighting Streets	12,000.00			12,000.00	11,633.65	366.35	
Memorial Day	250.00			250.00	250.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	35,403.69		35,403.69				
Transfer from Permanent Improvement		3,995.00					
Transfer from Interest on City Debt		5,000.00	8,995.00				
			44,398.69				
Transfer to Dalton Ave., Survey for State Highway		100.00					
Transfer to Fitting up No. 1 Engine House		200.00					
Transfer to Repairs on Tyler and Burbank Streets		2,500.00					
Transfer to Insurance		300.00					
Transfer to Construction of Bicycle Paths		300.00					
Transfer to Connecting eaves at City Hall and Police Station with Sewer		150.00					
Transfer to New Barns at Almshouse		3,800.00					
Transfer to Surface Drainage		1,200.00					
Transfer to Pomeroy Bridge		8,000.00					
Transfer to Grading Alder and Elizabeth Streets		500.00					
Transfer to Repairs to Pest House		200.00					
Transfer to Center Street Sewer		3,000.00					
Transfer to Improvements on Peck's Road		1,750.00					
Transfer to Pontoosuc Avenue		2,750.00					
Transfer to Pearl Street Tool House		1,000.00					
Transfer to Insurance		1,000.00					
Transfer to Pomeroy Bridge		900.00					
Transfer to Outside Poor		1,400.00					
Transfer to Fire Department		750.00					
Transfer to Enlarging Brick School House, Orchard street		173.03					
Transfer to Pearl Street Macadam		60					
Transfer to State Highway, Bills of 1895		12.00					
Transfer to Soldiers' Relief		250.00					
Transfer to State Aid		300.00					
Transfer to Contingent Expenses Police Department		250.00					
Transfer to Election Expenses		31.43					
Transfer to Russell's School House		805.30	31,622.36				
			12,776.33				
Received Emergent Fund City Clerk			50.00				
				12,826.33	7,499.94	5,326.39	
New Barns at Almshouse							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		3,800.00		3,800.00	2,574.76	1,225.24	

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.—Continued.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfers.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Over-Draft.
New Sewer Debt.	$10,000.00			$10,000.00	$10,000.00		
Outside Poor	9,500.00		$9,500.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		$1,400.00	1,400.00				
Received Emergent Fund, Overseers of Poor			50.00				
				10,950.00	11,291.58		$341.58
Office Expenses of License Commissioners	25.00			25.00	25.00		
Public Schools	73,000.00			73,000.00	73,000.00		
Parks and Common	300.00			300.00	281.57	$18 .43	
Pearl Street Macadam							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		60		60	60		
Permanent Improvement	4,000.00		4,000.00				
Transfer to Miscellaneous Expenses.		3,995.00	3,995.00				
				5.00	5.00		
Pontoosuc Avenue	500.00		500.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		2,750.00	2,750.00				
				3,250.00	3,129.36	120.64	
Pomeroy Bridge							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		8,000.00					
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		900.00					
				8,900.00	8,487.54	412.46	
Pearl Street Tool House							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,000.00		1,000.00	917.95	82.05	
Repairs, care and Flushing Sewers	500.00		500.00				
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		350.00	350.00				
				850.00	644.51	205.49	
Repairs of Buildings other than School Houses	300.00			300.00	300.00		
Repairs on Tyler and Burbank Streets							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,492.67	7.33	
Repairs to Pest House							
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		200.00		200.00	170.85	29.15	
Soldiers' Relief	1,800.00		1,800.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		250.00	250.00				
				2,050.00	1,965.29	84.71	
State Aid	2,200.00		2,200.00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		300.00	300.00				
				2,500.00	2,491.00	9.00	
State Highway, bills of 1895	3,505.74		3,505.74				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		12.00	12.00				
				3,517.74	3,517.74		
Sidewalks	5,000.00		5,000.00				
Transfer to Highways		600.00	600.00				
				4,400.00	4,395.92	4.08	
Sewer and Water Connections	2,000.00		2,000.00				
Additional Appropriation			1,000.00				
Additional Appropriation			1,000.00				
Additional Appropriation			250.00				
				4,250.00	4,248.34	1.66	
Surface Drainage	2,000.00		2,000 00				
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses		1,200.00					
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		1,500.00					
Transfer from Bridge Repairs		1,000.00	3,700.00				
				5,700.00	5,699.09	91	
Use of Hydrants	5,190.00			5,190.00	5,190.00		

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES AND BALANCES.—Continued.

Appropriations.	Amount.	Transfers.		Total Appropriations.	Expenditures.	Balances.	Overdraft.
Water Works Maintenance	$7,000.00		$7,000.00				
Rebate on Taxes, Town of Washington			2.26				
Additional Appropriation			271.24				
				$7,273.50	$5,834.96	$1,438.54	
Water Works Extension	3,000.00		3,000.00				
Water Loan Note			19,000.00				
				22,000.00	21,676.96	323.04	
Water Works Debt	19,000.00			19,000.00	19,000.00		
Totals	$338,130.00			$370,628.41	$354,077.06	$16,892.93	$341.58
				341.58		354,077.06	
				$370,969.99		$370,969.99	

Unexpended Balance of Loans 1894–5, and Notes 1896.	Transfers.	Amount.	Expended.	Overdraft 1895.	Unexpended Balances.	Overdraft, 1896.
Ashley Lake Survey						
Transfer from Mill Brook Water addition	$700.00					
Transfer to Mill Brook Water addition	124.94					
		$575.06	$575.06			
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, ½ Liquor License		9,328.00	9,328.00			
County Tax		21,317.35	21,317.35			
Elizabeth Street School House		27,459.78	26,787.94		$671.84	
Furniture for Russell School House			1,400.00			$1,400.00
Furniture for Elizabeth Street School House			1,500.00			1,500.00
Hathaway Brook		11.75			11.75	
Hancock Road Water Extension		305.77			305.77	
High School Building		87,591.77	86,526.72		1,065.05	
Mill Brook Water Addition	$1,390.19					
Transfer to Ashley Lake Survey	700.00					
	690.19					
Transfer from Ashley Lake Survey	124.94					
		815.13	815.13			
New High School Site		377.18			377.18	
National Bank Tax		9,295.92	9,295.92			
New Sewers		2,000.00	2,265.86	$89.52		355.38
Pontoosuc Water Extension		8.93			8.93	
Pecks Road Water Extension		16			16	
Russell School House		25,755.30	19,851.56	5,903.74		
South Street Water Extension		51.57			51.57	
Sewer Notes, paid from Sewer assessments		14,000.00	14,000.00			
State Tax		9,415.00	9,415.00			
Temporary Loans		80,000.00	80,000.00			
West and John Street School House		10,000.00	7,285.79	1,383.60	1,330.61	
		$298,308.67	$290,364.33	$7,376.86	$3,822.86	$3,255.38
		3,255.38			7,376.86	
					290,364.33	
		$301,564.05			$301,564.05	

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RECEIPTS.

1896.

E. H. Kennedy, City Treas., Balance on hand,	$20,278 28
Loans in Anticipation of Taxes :	
Curtis & Motley, Boston,	25,000 00
" " "	15,000 00
" " "	20,000 09
Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	15,000 00
Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge,	10,000 00
Zenas Crane,	10,000 00
W. C. Dalzell,	5,000 00
Loans for New Sewers :	
Mary M. Clapp,	2,000 00
Loans for Water Works :	
Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	10,000 00
Curtis & Motley, Boston,	9,000 00
Loans for New School Buildings :	
Berkshire Life Insurance Co.,	15,000 00
" " " "	7,950 00
" " " "	8,000 00
" " " "	7,000 00
P. M. Taylor, Boston,	10,000 00
" " "	15,000 00
Curtis & Motley, Boston,	8,000 00
" " "	26,000 00
W. C. Dalzell,	5,000 00
Curtis & Motley, Boston,	2,000 00
Agricultural Nat. Bank,	10,000 00
A. M. Atwater,	10,000 00
Anna P. Walker, Jr.,	5,000 00
Lucy W. Mallory,	5,000 00
Liquor Licenses,	37,311 00
City Clerk's Fees,	978 60
Eugene Bouton, School Tuition,	394 66
Agricultural Bank,	38 42
Contagious Diseases,	6 50
Town of Lanesboro, Fire Dept.,	100 00
E. H. Nash, Sale of Stone Crusher,	100 00
H. B. Nash, Sale of Elizabeth St. School House,	107 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., for Labor,	910 39
G. N. Kinnell, Milk Licenses,	21 00
H. B. Nash, Sale of Powers' House,	37 00
Town of Washington, Rebate on Taxes,	2 26
Pittsfield Electric St. R. R. Co., Balance on Dalton Avenue Bridge,	1,273 19

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Frank R. Strong, Tax Collector:		
Sidewalk Assessments,	2,127 46	
Taxes of 1893,	83 22	
" " 1894,	7,186 09	
" " 1895,	22,961 28	
" " 1896,	225,212 18	
Metered Water Rates,	8,869 41	
Water Rates,	33,008 33	
Sewer Assessment,	18,425 80	
Sidewalks,	12 10	
Miscellaneous,	822 17	
Highways,	11 00	
Sewer and Water Connections,	4,923 64	
Outside Poor,	1,145 51	
Almshouse,	318 00	
Soldiers' Relief,	156 86	
Police Department Fees,	469 02	
Point Fines,	1,301 00	
State Aid,	2,291 00	
State Highway,	1,544 29	
Sheriff Fees,	166 00	
Dog Fund,	988 37	
Emergent Fund,	250 00	
Corporation Taxes,	12,669 07	
National Bank Tax,	2,097 28	
Temporary Support State Paupers,	116 12	
Support of State Paupers,	382 96	
Burial of " "	55 00	
Transportation of State Paupers,	27 00	
Burial of Indigent Soldiers,	35 00	
A. F. Read, Liquor License,	1 00	
		$664,164 46

EXPENDED.

1896.	
Temporary Loans,	$80,000 00
Elizabeth Street School House,	26,787 94
One-Fourth Liquor License,	9,328 00
County Tax,	21,317 35
State Tax,	9,415 00
National Bank Tax,	9,295 92
Furniture for Russells School House,	1,400 00
" " Elizabeth Street School House,	1,500 00
High School Building,	86,526 72

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Sewer Notes,	14,000 00
Russell's School House,	19,851 56
West and John Street School House,	7,285 79
Enlarging Brick School House, Orchard Street,	2,799 22
New Sewers,	2,265 86
Mill Brook Water Addition,	815 13
Crosswalks and Cleaning,	2,189 95
Water Works Extension,	21,676 96
Pearl Street Tool House,	917 95
Bridge Repairs,	844 40
Improvements on Peck's Road,	1,745 47
Repairs to Pest House,	170 85
Center Street Sewer,	2,960 90
Surface Drainage,	5,699 09
Grading Alder and Elizabeth Streets,	500 00
Pomeroy Bridge,	8,487 54
New Barns at Almshouse,	2,574 76
Contingent Expenses, Public Works,	1,494 29
Construction of Bicycle Path,	255 86
Repairs on Burbank and Tyler Streets,	2,492 67
Fitting up No. 1 Engine House,	200 00
Repair of Buildings other than School Houses,	300 00
Permanent Improvement,	5 00
Pontoosuc Avenue,	3,129 36
Bradford Street Surface Drain,	2,999 15
Water Works Debt,	19,000 00
Office Expenses, License Commissioners,	25 00
New Sewer Debt,	10,000 00
Berkshire Athenæum,	2,000 00
Committee on Highways,	100 00
Use of Hydrants,	5,190 00
Dalton Avenue Bridge,	2,943 13
Dalton Avenue and Tyler Street Survey,	98 55
Memorial Day,	250 00
Fire Department Furnishings,	1,500 00
Interest on Sewer Debt,	10,912 92
Ashley Lake Survey,	575 06
City Loan of 1894,	8,000 00
Completion and Furnishing City Hall,	1,748 08
Pearl Street Macadam,	60
Sewer and Water Connections,	4,248 34
Contingent Expenses, Police Department,	2,348 87
Election Expenses,	831 43
Interest on City Debt,	9,273 47
Interest on Water Debt,	11,896 35
Repair, Care and Flushing Sewers,	644 51
City Hall, Light, Heating and Care,	1,886 90

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Insurance,	2,152 78	
Parks and Common,	281 57	
Lighting Streets,	11,633 65	
Sidewalks,	4,395 92	
State Highway,	3,517 74	
Water Works Maintenance,	5,834 96	
Miscellaneous Expenses,	7,499 94	
Highways,	16,050 38	
State Aid,	2,491 00	
Soldiers' Relief,	1,965 29	
Almshouse,	5,485 56	
Public Schools,	73,000 00	
Outside Poor,	11,291 58	
Books, Stationery and Printing,	1,959 39	
Fire Department,	15,724 83	
City Officers' Salaries,	36,450 90	
		$644,441 39
Cash on hand,		19,723 07
		$664,164 46

ALMSHOUSE.

Appropriation,		$5,500 00
Expended:		
Dutton & Tucker, Kerosene Oil,	$30 81	
Teeling Baking Co., Supplies, Crackers,	45 94	
J. M. Linnehan & Co., " Groceries,	48 98	
John S. Wolfe Co., " Flour,	117 00	
J. J. Murphy, Prescriptions and Supplies,	58 70	
C. W. Wright, 2 Doz. Oak Chairs,	11 00	
Ira R. Lawson, Flour and Feed,	223 83	
A. J. Bruey, Cutting Ice,	5 31	
Fahey's Pharmacy, Prescriptions,	12 75	
C. H. Waite, "	9 80	
R. E. Willard & Son, "	5 50	
Carl Hydren, "	12 15	
W. K. Rice, "	10 50	
J. H. Manning, "	27 89	
F. A. Hull, "	16 10	
Dr. W. H. Currier & Co., "	16 20	
Edgar E. Wilkins, "	1 55	
Sadie E. Rice, Domestic,	7 24	
Rose McClusky, "	7 00	
Ella Fromma, "	15 71	
Sophia Durfee, "	240 00	

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Mrs. Nora Jewett, Domestic,	16 00
Mrs. Stanton, "	14 51
Annie Kelly, "	53 67
Tillie Moore, "	64 00
C. A. Crosier, Watchman,	105 00
C. W. Kilmer, Assistant Keeper,	504 00
David Price, Watchman,	162 00
William Shaw, Keeper,	650 00
Howard & Morrow, 1 Separator,	125 00
City Market, Supplies,	6 52
D. X. Jordan, "	27 02
C. S. Ferry & Son, Lumber,	13 78
J. F. Van Deusen, Tobacco,	60 40
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	36 35
W. G. Backus' Sons, " " "	61 15
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	6 00
E. & G. Hadsell, Supplies,	170 47
E. Williams, "	41 60
J. R. Newman & Son, Supplies,	7 75
England Bros., Dry Goods,	35 32
James Eagen, Groceries, etc.,	89 99
E. A. Ruggles, Supplies,	7 70
R. A. Chapman, Wire Fence,	44 12
R. W. Renfrew, Supplies,	68 55
D. O'Connor, Blacksmithing,	7 15
M. J. McMahon, Groceries,	42 54
Pittsfield Tea Co., Chest Tea,	20 40
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	22 28
H. P. Lucas, "	111 25
E. L. Parker, Lumber and Making Cider,	21 09
C. Polly & Co., Groceries,	16 72
B. Jolls, Burials,	19 00
G. N. Hopkins, Burials,	15 00
Bovett & Noble, Material and Labor,	7 82
Berkshire Overall Co., Overalls, etc.,	23 00
C. A. Drake, Blacksmithing,	13 25
Cullen Bros., Dry Goods,	137 54
A. A. Mills, Supplies,	28 23
John F. Murphy, Supplies,	23 35
Hall & Owen, "	90 51
E. B. Mead, 1 Top Wagon,	50 00
C. E. Merrill, Lumber,	93 46
Kennedy & MacInnes, Supplies,	17 95
F. A. Smith, "	77 62
Pease & Pratt, "	7 04
O. W. Robbins Shoe Co., "	16 40
R. A. Rockwell, "	5 20

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Garvin & Tanner, Coal,	825 70	
A. A. Marks, Artificial Leg for J. E. Grant,	50 00	
A. N. Parker, Supplies,	91 80	
Markstein & Rosenthal, Supplies,	13 17	
W. P. Griffen, "	39 60	
Gerst & Smith, Repairs,	5 48	
J, E. Grant, Carpenter Work,	13 00	
Bradley Bros., Supplies,	15 75	
Pittsfield Cemetery Corp., Interment,	4 00	
E. M. Miller & Son, Supplies,	2 82	
Barker & Belden, "	5 55	
O. Root & Sons, "	21 60	
H. B. Wellington, Furniture,	29 37	
Boston Branch, Supplies,	40 72	
J. E. MacDonald, Blacksmithing,	8 25	
M. W. Flynn, Professional Services,	1 00	
J. C. Nickerson, Supplies,	6 89	
McCormick & Joyce, Supplies,	40 54	
L. B. Simon, "	23 15	
F. A. Hand, Straw and Difference, Exchange of Pigs,	15 94	
J. H. Butler, Lumber,	9 77	
F. D. Hart, Cabbages,	40 00	
W. H. Stevens, Pork,	19 80	
		$5,485 56
Unexpended Balance,		$14 44

ASHLEY LAKE SURVEY.

Transfer from Mill Brook Water Addition,		$700 00
Transfer to " " " "		124 94
		$575 06
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$190 46	
Barker & Belden, Supplies,	32	
H. S. Wollison, "	33	
Talbot Bros., "	6 00	
C. E, Merrill, Material and Labor,	1 77	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	7 49	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	1 50	
James Cassidy, 150 Steel Pins,	15 00	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	15 30	
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	142 25	

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S. G. Armstrong, Surveying,	6 12	
Ivan Shepardson, "	71 63	
W. J. Devanny, "	7 88	
H. D. Osgood, "	58 69	
W. H. Clark, "	16 19	
Clifford Moore, "	3 75	
James C. Harding, "	30 38	
		$575 06

BRADFORD STREET SURFACE DRAIN.

Appropriation,		$3,000 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, pay roll,	$1,034 69	
F. G. Guilds & Co., Cartage,	36 36	
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co., Freight,	172 67	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	12 30	
T. R. Glentz, Material and Labor,	11 25	
Chas. Millar & Sons, Pipe,	1,195 08	
Chas. N. Read, Sand,	8 80	
W. W. Carpenter, Repairs,	25	
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	153 00	
C. E. Merrill, Lumber,	23 07	
Pittsfield Lumber Co., Lumber,	18 92	
C. S. Ferry & Son, "	80 30	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	4 37	
H. P. Lucas, "	5 70	
A. A. Mills, "	1 00	
E. Williams, "	40	
Dutton & Tucker, "	25	
Dodge & Devanny, "	169 24	
R. A. Rockwell, "	3 10	
J. N. Tanner, Surveying,	5 25	
Walter H. Clark, "	12 24	
J. C. Harding, "	16 88	
A. A. Fobes, "	18 52	
W. J. Devanny, "	2 81	
Ivan Shepardson, "	2 25	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	10 45	
		2,999 15
Unexpended balance,		85

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BERKSHIRE ATHENÆUM.

Appropriation,		$2,000 00
Expended:		
Treasurer Berkshire Athenæum,	$2,000 00	

BRIDGE REPAIRS.

Appropriation,		$4,700 00
Transfers to Surface Drainage,	$2,500 00	
Transfer to Highways,	1,000 00	
Transfer to Repair, Care and Flusing Sewers,	350 00	
		$3,850 00
		$850 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chm. Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$324 01	
Geo. R. Barber, livery,	1 35	
E. W. Backman, "	3 00	
A. A. Fobes, surveying,	33 65	
W. H. Clark, "	88	
J. C. Harding, "	5 06	
C. E. Merrill, lumber,	74 08	
E. L. Parker, "	226 05	
Barker & Belden, supplies,	7 13	
H. P. Lucas, "	2 24	
M. T. Moore, material and labor,	10 48	
H. S. Russell, " "	3 00	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., material, teams and labor,	48 03	
F. W. Hall, use of boat 6 days,	3 00	
E. Williams, paint and oil,	17 90	
S. S. Wheeler, 6 Photos,	60	
Harrington Bros., 2 notices,	6 00	
P. Fallon, blacksmithing,	4 70	
J. C. Sprague, cartage,	10 50	
R. F. Hawkins' Iron Works, Inspecting and Adjusting,	50 74	
Mrs. J. E. Osgood, Board of Bridge Inspector,	12 00	
		$844 40
Unexpended balance,		$5 60

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BOOKS, STATIONERY AND PRINTING.

Appropriation,		$2,000 00
Expended:		
Geo. Blatchford, Supplies,	$26 69	
Wm. Nugent, "	1 54	
Eagle Pub. Co., Printing City Report, etc., and Supplies,	1,263 75	
E. H. Kennedy, Treas., Stamped Envelopes,	1 80	
W. J. Coogan, P. M., " "	3 60	
F. R. Strong, Collector, " "	1 80	
J. W. Clark, Chairman Overseers of Poor, Payments from Emergent Fund,	2 50	
Talbot Bros., Ledgers, Paper and Supplies,	23 51	
Journal Printing Co., Printing Notices,	33 38	
Republican Co., Advertising Sale of Horse Roller and Crusher,	3 60	
Morning Call, Printing License Notice,	6 00	
Hill & Day, Printing Cards, Com. City Council, etc.,	6 75	
Geo. T. Denny, Printing Manual, Supplies, etc.,	89 00	
Sun Printing Co., Printing and Supplies,	448 02	
Price, Lee & Co., Directories,	9 00	
F. S. Blanchard & Co., Mass. Year Book,	12 50	
C. S. Hutchinson, Envelopes,	19 70	
Dennison & Brown, 500 ½ Sheets for Treas.,	6 25	
		1,959 39
Unexpended Balance,		$40 61

CONSTRUCTION OF BICYCLE PATH.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$300 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$200 01	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	4 95	
Henry Noble, Gravel,	50 50	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	40	
		$255 86
Unexpended Balance,		44 14

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CONNECTING EAVES, CITY HALL AND POLICE STATION WITH SEWER.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses, Unexpended.	$150 00

COMPLETION AND FURNISHING CITY HALL.

Appropriation,		$1,750 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$11 69	
Stanley Electric Co., 1 Drafting Table,	36 50	
G. N. Hopkins, Tables and Chairs,	12 00	
H. B. Wellington, Book Cases, Tables, Chairs,	430 60	
Barker & Belden, Supplies,	3.25	
C. E. Merrill, Material and Labor,	4 23	
Eagle Publishing Co., Advertising,	2 50	
Journal Printing Co., "	3 00	
Albert E. French, Painting,	284 60	
Petherbridge & Burns, Desks and Chairs,	233 00	
Z. A. Ward, Furniture, Material and Labor,	516 50	
Prince & Walker, Linoleum and Lining,	118 41	
B. & A. R. R. Co., Freight,	62	
G. H. Richter & Co., Cabinet,	41 00	
F. M. Smith, Painting and Repairing Desk,	2 00	
F. G. Guilds & Co., Moving Safe,	5 88	
G. W. Bailey & Co., 45 Shades at 94c.,	42 30	
		$1,748 08
Unexpended balance,		$1 92

CENTER STREET SEWER.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$3,000 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$270 72	
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	53 12	
J. C. Harding, "	16 31	
W. H. Clark, "	11 80	
J. N. Tanner, "	5 62	

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Barker & Belden, Supplies,	1 95	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	3 45	
A. A. Mills, "	15	
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	72 00	
M. T. Moore, Castings for Manhole,	18 00	
Pratt & Cady Co., "	20 78	
Dodge & Devanny, Material furnished,	100 47	
Chas. N. Read, Sand,	4 80	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	16 54	
Chas. Prout, "	1 00	
Chas. Millar & Son, Pipe,	731 39	
T. R. Glentz, Material and Labor,	11 48	
C. E. Merrill, Lumber,	21 35	
Geo. A. Bidwell, Material and Labor,	31 08	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., payments on Sewer Contract,	1,483 50	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	85 39	
		$2,960 90
Unexpended balance,		$39 10

CROSSWALKS AND CLEANING.

Appropriation,		$2,200 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$1,465 80	
H. P. Lucas, supplies,	2 25	
H. C. Entler, curbing,	9 50	
Geo. R. Barber, livery,	21 60	
E. W. Backman, "	5 40	
S. N. & C. Russell Mfg. Co., Gravel,	6 60	
W. E. Tillotson, Gravel,	60	
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	37 80	
P. Cummings, Blacksmithing,	13 13	
J. C. Sprague, cartage,	33 15	
B. & A. R. R. Co., freight,	141 94	
G. E. Lyons Granite Co., flagging,	126 35	
Litchfield Bros., flagging,	304 58	
W. P. Griffin, paving stone,	20 25	
A. A. Mills, supplies,	1 00	
		$2,189 95
Unexpended balance,		$10 05

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CITY HALL, LIGHT, HEATING AND CARE.

Appropriation,		$2,200 00
Expended :		
E. D. Jones chm. Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$27 87	
Hamilton & Co., Supplies,	1 00	
Morgan Envelope Co., Supplies,	6 25	
Peirson Hardware Co., "	10 60	
Barker & Belden, "	15	
Geo. Blatchford, "	5 20	
A. A. Mills, "	14 61	
Wm. Nugent, "	10 53	
Geo. T. Denny, "	19 65	
Berkshire Typewriter Paper Co., Supplies,	2 00	
England Bros., Supplies,	2 25	
Pittsfield Electrical Supply Co., Supplies,	13 50	
Hall & Owen, Supplies,	1 70	
M. Goldstein, "	1 50	
C. H. Waite, "	1 25	
Talbot Bros. "	4 75	
Lederer & Ellick, "	4 00	
H. P. Lucas, "	2 00	
Eureka Electric Co., Supplies,	1 50	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	39 17	
Z. A. Ward, " " "	18 13	
T. R. Glentz, " " "	3 15	
Berkshire Electric Co., " " "	32 66	
E. B. Hume, " " "	13 05	
Geo. A. Bidwell, " " "	21 53	
Pittsfield Elec. Co., Electric Light City Hall,	125 49	
W. H. Cranston, Re-seating 2 Chairs,	1 50	
Lamprell & Marble, 1 Flag,	14 60	
W. W. Carpenter, Repairs,	6 60	
A. N. French, Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,	22 79	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Rent of Telephone,	94 05	
Fred'k Andrews, Services as Janitor,	863 10	
A. J. Bruey, Ice,	5 00	
Henry J. Green, 1 Barometer,	39 50	
A. E. French, Painting, etc.,	5 40	
Gamwell & Linnehan, 2 Mats,	3 50	
Pittsfield Coal Gas Co., Gas Light, City Hall,	17 25	
P. C. Langdon, Renovating,	1 75	
G. R. Barber, Livery,	45	
City Government, Subscription,	3 00	
Engineering news, "	5 00	

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T. S. Buck, Rubber Stamps,	3 10	
Hartford Steam Boiler Insp. & Ins. Co., insurance on boiler,	50 00	
Pittsfield Floral Greenhouses, Filling Tubs and Vases,	7 50	
City of Pittsfield, Water Rates,	41 80	
Geo. A. Lord, Inspecting Boiler,	2 00	
Garvin & Tanner, Coal,	309 97	
F. A. Robbins, Repairs,	3 00	
F. R. Strong, Bicycle Adjusters,	1 80	
C. A. Brown, 1 Load Loam,	75	
		1,886 90
Unexpended balance,		$313 10

CONTINGENT EXPENSES, POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		$2,100 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		250 00
		$2,350 00
Expended :		
Mrs. C. B. Watkins, meals for prisoners,	$511 80	
J. M. Linnehan & Co., Supplies,	15 26	
W. H. Currier & Co., "	8 48	
Geo. Blatchford, "	10 95	
Peirson Hardware Co., "	6 93	
J. P. Lovell Arms Co., "	22 80	
A. A. Mills, "	1 12	
Barker & Belden, "	24 23	
England Bros., "	2 50	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	347 25	
E. F. Payne, "	23 00	
Sullivan & Campbell"	16 75	
Samuel Bridges, "	101 50	
Geo. R. Barber, "	218 75	
V. Viner, "	20 00	
Morgan Crossman & Co., Rubber Stamps,	8 15	
Pittsfield Coal Gas Co., Gas Light,	243 00	
F. K. Chaffee, Professional Services,	5 00	
F. K, Paddock, "	5 00	
W. G. Morton, Rent Storage,	25 00	
N. E. Telegraph and Tel. Co., Telephone,	74 42	
John Nicholson, Chief, Payments from Emergent Fund,	239 21	
A. J. Bruey, Ice,	5 00	

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Eureka Electric Co., Material and Labor,	5 15	
G. W. Branch, " "	74 29	
W. G. Backus &. Sons, " "	7 00	
City of Pittsfield, Water Rates,	36 87	
L. C. Ormsbee, Repairing City Scales,	3 00	
Mrs. Rood, Board of Carrie Richter,	3 00	
Elmer Conant, Meals for Police,	2 80	
Journal Printing Co., Blanks,	3 50	
Sun Printing Co., Cards and Printing,	3 00	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	38 12	
Western Union Tel. Co.,	2 86	
C. E. Merrill, Glass and Setting Same in Hack,	60	
M. P. Lawton & Son, Coal,	12 79	
Garvin & Tanner, "	90 39	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Supplies,	6 04	
Hall & Owen, Cartage,	3 00	
C. W. Strong, Typewriting,	3 00	
Edwards Jewelry Store, 1 Bicycle and Supplies,	88 50	
J. L. King, Tolling Bell,	1 00	
R. E. Phair, " "	1 00	
J. F. Barrett, " "	1 00	
C. H. Hopkins, " "	1 00	
Bay State Laundry, Laundry Work,	18 86	
Thos. Behan, Repairs,	4 50	
H. B. Wellington, 1 Stool,	1 50	
		$2,348 87
Unexpended Balance,		1 13

CONTINGENT EXPENSES PUBLIC WORKS.

Appropriation,		$1,500 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$375 74	
T. R. Glentz, Material and Labor,	11 14	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	4 91	
C. E. Merrill, " "	51 84	
Jason N. Shepardson, Use of Horse and Wagon,	40 50	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	1 35	
E. W. Backman, "	1 02	
Blackbird Pen Co., 2 Gross Pens,	2 50	
P. Cummings, Blacksmithing,	50	
Jas. Cassidy, "	70	
Patrick Fallon, "	75	
J. H. Butler, Lumber,	48 18	

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D. H. Tower, Services as Expert Engineer,	7 50	
John Viola, Rent of Blacksmith Tools and Steel,	35 00	
Chadwick Copying Book Co., 1 Book,	2 25	
W. W. Carpenter, Repairs,	4 60	
W. & L. E. Gurley, Chain Tape and Magnifiers,	6 70	
A. N. French, Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,	42 44	
Sun Printing Co., 10 Books, Order Blanks,	10 00	
M. R. Warren, Transit and Level Book,	1 08	
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	50	
Eagle Publishing Co., Supplies,	27 00	
Buff & Berger, "	65	
Parker & Belden, "	16 90	
Dutton & Tucker, "	24 66	
H. S. Wollison, "	1 50	
Kennedy & MacInnes, "	1 75	
Talbot Bros., "	85 04	
Geo. Blatchford, "	55 14	
Peirson Hardware Co., "	34 35	
A. A. Mills, "	2 66	
Wm. Nugent, "	6 70	
E. Williams, "	50 66	
Geo. T. Denny, "	5 50	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	79	
N. Y. Flynt Granite Co., Curbing and Cutting,	87 08	
Library Bureau, Index Card Case, Fittings, etc.,	13 78	
A. M. Chapel, Repairing Portable Engine,	9 43	
A. A. Fobes, surveying,	180 61	
S. G. Armstrong, "	90 05	
Ivan Shepardson, "	24 37	
H. D. Osgood, "	17 38	
W. J. Devanny, "	63 56	
W. H. Clark, "	17 06	
J. C. Harding, "	17 44	
W. S. Moore, "	4 38	
J. N. Tanner, "	3 37	
H. A. Clark, "	3 28	
		$1,494 29
Unexpended Balance,		$5 71

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Paid State Treasurer, ¼ Liquor License,	$9,328 00
" " " State Tax,	9,415 00
" " " Nat. Bank Tax,	9,295 92

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COUNTY TAX.

Paid Geo. H. Tucker, Treasurer,	$21,317 35	

CITY LOAN OF 1894.

Appropriation from Taxes of 1895,		$8,000 09
Expended:		
Berkshire County Savings Bank,	$8,000 00	

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS.

Appropriation,		$100 00
Expended:		
L. K. Albro, Services as Clerk, 1 year,	$100 00	

CITY OFFICERS' SALARIES.

Appropriation,		$37,060 00
Expended:		
Walter F. Hawkins, Mayor,	$1,000 00	
Edward Cain, City Clerk, 1 month,	108 33	
Wm. F. Francis, Tax Collector, 1 month,	108 33	
Geo. Y. Learned, Auditor,	1,800 00	
Edward C. Hill, City Clerk, 11 months,	1,191 67	
Frank R. Strong, Tax Collector, 11 months,	1,191 67	
E. H. Kennedy, Treasurer,	850 00	
John F. Noxon, Solicitor,	1,000 00	
W. M. Mercer, Physician,	500 00	
W. M. Clark, Chairman Assessors,	700 00	
F. S. Parker, "	500 00	
J. H. May, " 1 Month,	41 66	
H. D. Sisson, " 11 "	458 34	
G. W. Branch, Chief Engin'r Fire Dept., 1 Mo.,	50 00	
Wm. F. Francis, " " " " 11 "	916 67	
J. J. Powers, Ass't. " " "	120 00	
Geo. H. Frey, " " " "	120 00	
F. J. Clark, " " " " 1 Mo.,	10 00	
John Howison, " " " " 11 "	110 00	
Wm. Dimick, Supt. of the Poor,	700 00	
John H. Eeels, Clerk of Common Council,	200 00	
S. C. Burton, Chairman Board of Health,	200 00	
M. L. Woodruff, Member Board of Health,	200 00	

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J. J. Nelligan, Member Board of Health, 1 Mo.,	16 66	
Geo. A. Prediger, " " " 11 "	183 34	
A. N. French, Clerk Board of Public Works,	1,000 00	
E. J. Cowell, Inspect. of Bld'gs. and Plumbing,	1,000 00	
G. N. Kinnell, Inspector of Animals and Milk,	500 00	
Jno. Allen Root, Ch'n. License Commissioners,	250 00	
C. F. Coogan, " "	200 00	
Wm. P. Griffen, " "	200 00	
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works,	800 00	
J. H. Manning, Member, " " " "	800 00	
J. H. Daly, Mem. Board of Pub. Works, 1 Mo.,	66 66	
J. L. Bacon, " " " " " 11 "	733 34	
J. H. Francis, Assistant Assessor,	44 00	
W. H. Murray, " "	50 87	
R. H. Barrett, " "	57 75	
E. L. Parker, " "	52 25	
S. E. Crowell, " "	61 87	
Albert W. Shaw, " "	75 00	
Chas. W. Booth, " "	57 75	
James Kettle, Member Board of Registrars,	135 00	
Edward Cain, " " " "	141 25	
D. M. Couch, " " " "	133 75	
Edward C. Hill, " " " "	140 00	
Election Officers, City and State Elections,	728 00	
John Nicholson, Chief of Police,	1,500 00	
Michael Leonard, Captain,	1,009 24	
Charles W. Thompson, Patrolman,	920 00	
Wm. G. White, "	918 75	
Dennis Hogan, "	920 00	
James F. Dean, "	920 00	
Wm. Tobin, "	918 75	
D. P. Flynn, "	913 75	
W. H. Marshall, "	912 50	
W. W. Van De Bogart, "	920 00	
John Hudner, "	843 75	
H. A. Stubbs, "	915 00	
L. O. Bastion, "	757 50	
G. E. Chapman, "	916 25	
M. Fahey, "	841 25	
P. M. La More, "	916 25	
D. J. Mangan, "	911 25	
J. F. Creelan, "	918 75	
A. B. Stevens, "	11 25	
Wm. Mead, "	5 00	
Sarah M. Dean, Police Matron,	57 50	
		$36,450 90
Unexpended balance,		$609 10

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DALTON AVENUE SURVEY FOR STATE HIGHWAYS.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$100 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$13 75	
S. G. Armstrong, surveying,	10 88	
H. D. Osgood, "	6 75	
A. A. Fobes, "	25 04	
Ivan Shepardson, "	7 50	
Clifford Moore, "	4 88	
Wm. Moore, "	7 00	
W. J. Devanny, "	6 19	
W. H. Clark, "	3 06	
Geo. R. Barber, livery,	12 15	
E. W. Backman, "	1 35	
		$98 55
Unexpended Balance,		$1 45

DAWES AVENUE WATER EXTENSION LOAN.

Unexpended Balance, 1895,	$14 16
Unexpended.	

DALTON AVENUE BRIDGE.

Appropriation,		$1,500 00
Transfer from Highways,		169 94
		$1,669 94
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$224 27	
Dwyer Bros., Payments on Contract for Abutments,	2,086 89	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	2 70	
E. W. Backman, "	34 95	
G. A. Murdock, Surveying,	64 80	
W. H. Clark, "	3 93	
Ivan Shepardson, "	4 87	
A. A. Fobes, "	21 04	
J. C. Harding, "	10 68	

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Postal Telegraph Cable Co., Telegrams,	1 67	
H. S. Russell, Material and Labor,	3 58	
A. A. Mills, Supplies,	85	
Dutton & Tucker,"	1 95	
Dodge & Devanny, Cement and Cartage,	5 76	
A. N. French, Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,	1 13	
R. F. Hawkins Iron Works, Balance on Bridge,	110 00	
C. E. Merrill, Lumber for Bridge,	80 86	
J. H. Butler, " "	61 00	
E. L. Parker, 100 Posts,	25 85	
Harrington Bros., Painting Bridge,	25 00	
D. Hammond & Bro., Balance on Contract for Grading,	171 35	
	$2,943 13	
Recived from P. Electric St. R. R. Co.,		1,273 19
	$2,943 13	$2,943 13

ELECTION EXPENSES.

Appropriation,		$800 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		31 43
		$831 43
Journal Printing Co., Publishing Ticket and Warrant,	$ 31 50	
Eagle Pub. Co., Ballots and Supplies,	178 25	
Sun Printing Co., Voters Lists, Tally Sheets and Warrant,	61 30	
C. C. Gamwell, Fuel,	5 75	
Geo. Blatchford, Supplies,	5 70	
A. A. Mills, "	9 39	
Geo. T. Denny, "	5 50	
Sisson & Robinson, "	7 00	
Barker & Belden, "	1 12	
G. N. Hopkins, Use of Chairs,	2 50	
H. B. Wellington, Use of Chairs,	8 30	
O. S. Fish, D. S. Posting Election Notices,	6 25	
E. T. Holmes, Constable, Posting Election Notices,	11 25	
E. C. Hill, City Clerk, Paid from Emergent Fund,	55 85	
P. P. Curtin, Use of Hall,	35 00	

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John C. West, Estate, Use of Hall,	65 00	
Casey & Bacon, " "	69 00	
Willing Workers Lodge, Use of Hall,	65 00	
Robert Kelly, Dinners and Use of Hall,	46 50	
Pittsfield House, Dinners for Election Officers,	28 50	
American House, Dinners for Election Officers,	36 50	
J. F. Callahan, Dinners for Election Officers,	9 75	
Robert Gill, Dinners for Election Officers,	8 50	
Wm. Harrahy, Dinners for Election Officers,	8 00	
R. J. Demming, Dinners for Election Officers,	8 00	
J. H. Butler, lumber,	5 82	
Duane Farrer, Putting up Election Booths,	56 20	
	$831 43	
		$831 43

ENLARGING BRICK SCHOOL HOUSE, ORCHARD ST.

Appropriation,		$945 57
" from Taxes of 1895,		1,680 62
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		173 03
		$2,799 22
Expended:		
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	$61 08	
Pittsfield Electric Co., " "	12 64	
Henry Vinette, " "	17 34	
Berkshire Electric Co., " "	28 46	
D. C. Bedell, " "	116 42	
Barker & Belden, Supplies,	4 33	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	23 25	
C. S. Ferrey & Son, Lumber,	45 66	
E. S. Horton, Labor,	64 50	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Messenger Service,	1 88	
Smith & Anthony Co., Heating, Ventilating and Extra Work,	2,299 00	
Stanley Electric Mfg. Co., Changing Motor,	61 99	
Chas. H. Smith, Labor and Cartage,	6 06	
John Marshall, Mason Work,	10 00	
Henry Voll, Labor,	35 00	
E. D. Jones & Sons Co., Work on Ventilators and Blue Prints,	11 61	
		$2,799 22

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ELIZABETH STREET SCHOOL HOUSE.

Balance Loan, 1895,		$4,459 78
Note Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,		8,000 00
" " " " "		7,000 00
" Curtis & Motley, Boston,		8,000 00
		$27,459 78
Expended :		
N. L. Cain, Builder, Paym'ts on Contract,	$17,919 10	
G. P. B. Alderman, Architect,	590 20	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Heating and Ventilating,	2,800 00	
Bovett & Noble, Plumbing,	2,707 05	
W. A. Choate Co., Blackboards,	604 65	
Berkshire Electric Co., Electric Wiring,	294 00	
Johnson Temperature Regulating Co.,	391 00	
H. W. Partridge, Salary as Sec'y of Com.,	75 00	
D. C. Bedell, Inspector Salary,	215 00	
W. J. Devanny, Surveying,	3 38	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	1 35	
C. C. Gamwell, Fuel,	10 61	
Biladeau & Healy, Concrete Work,	196 07	
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	9 62	
J. N. Tanner, "	2 25	
Ivan Shepardson, "	75	
Henry Markham, Labor on Bank Wall,	646 59	
L. L. Atwood, Grading, Labor and Teams,	116 00	
Thomas Campbell, Grading,	60 00	
John McColligan, "	22 50	
Patrick McHugo, "	22 50	
Thomas Flannegan, "	26 25	
M. Dougherty, "	24 75	
Henry Coyle, "	15 75	
Frank Russell, Agent, Loam,	33 57	
		$26,787 94
Unexpended balance loan,		$671 84

FIRE DEPARTMENT FURNISHINGS.

Appropriation,		$1,500 00
Expended:		
Journal Printing Co., Printing for Dept. Com.,	$3 00	
Eagle Pub. Co., Advertising Bids for Hose, etc.,	3 50	
Barnes & Jenks, Copies of Plans for Hot Water System,	5 00	

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Dutton & Tucker, Rubber Coats,	75 10	
Bovett & Noble, Material and Labor,	11 42	
C. E. Merrill, " "	152 20	
E. H. Markham, " "	118 05	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	55 93	
Berkshire Electric Co., Putting 4 Centers on Switch, etc.,	17 32	
Cornelius Callahan Co., Plaster Hook,	5 00	
Geo. A. Bidwell, Heater as per Contract,	151 90	
H. B. Wellington, Furniture, Mat'l and Labor,	67 78	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	799 30	
F. X. Z. Poitras, 11½ Days' Labor at $3.00,	34 50	
		$1,500 00

FITTING UP NO. 1 ENGINE HOUSE.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$200 00
Expended:		
G. W. Branch, Material and Labor,	6 55	
C. E. Merrill, " "	62 72	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	20 56	
W. H. Turner, Mason Work,	41 25	
J. H. Bunnell & Co., Supplies,	21 92	
Cornelius Callahan Co., "	47 00	
		$200 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation,		$14,900 00
Additional Appropriation,		100 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		750 00
		$15,750 00
Expended:		
Chas. G. Braxman, Gold and Nickle Plate,	$ 3 20	
J. M. Linnehan & Co., supplies,	40	
A. A. Mills, "	11 87	
England Bros., "	17 59	
Barker & Belden, "	41 65	
W. B. Foote, "	50 22	
Pittsfield Electric Supply Co., Supplies,	11 20	
M. P. Lawton & Son "	21 57	
R. E. Willard & Son, "	17 20	

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Talbot Bros.,	Supplies,	12 55
C. C. Gamwell,	"	107 13
W. G. Backus' Sons,	"	50
Fahey's Pharmacy,	"	75
R. W. Renfrew & Sons,	"	13 51
Chas. F. Smith,	"	3 55
Hall & Owen,	"	24 56
Geo. Blatchford,	"	4 91
S. F. Hayward & Co.,	"	4 00
Carl Hydren,	"	50
C. Callahan Co.,	"	191 50
Jno. R. Feeley,	"	3 50
Kennedy & MacInnes,	"	71 70
F. M. White,	"	91 55
W. P. Griffin,	"	21 45
G. N. Hopkins,	"	6 38
R. A. Rockwell,	"	10
J. H. Manning,	"	75
Casey & Bacon,	"	9 20
J. S. Wolfe Co.,	"	45 56
Bradley Bros.,	"	37 72
J. H. Bunnell,	"	1 58
J. M. & W. P. Lee,	"	68
P. P. Curtin, 1 ½ months rent for Hose Co., No. 4,		7 50
Berkshire Electric Co., Material, Labor and Supplies,		402 91
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material, Labor and Supplies,		130 45
Peirson Hardware Co., Hose and Supplies,		997 83
Eagle Publishing Co., Advertising and Supplies,		31 25
Dutton & Tucker, Blue Vitrol and Supplies,		59 99
H. P. Lucas, Ice Ax,		1 50
E. D. Jones & Sons Co., Material and Labor,		425 13
Pittsfield Coal Gas Co., Gas Light,		34 65
D. C. Elliott, Trucking,		2 25
Ralph Herie, "		5 20
T. E. Hall, "		18 90
Dodge & Devanny, Mason Work,		1 60
H. B. Wellington, Furniture and Repairs,		173 85
O. Root & Sons, Rubber Boots and Brush,		18 90
J. H. & J. J. Enright, Rubber Boots,		2 50
R. A. Manock, Laundry Work,		167 20
A. M. Chapel, Material and Labor,		43
Chas. H. Smith, " "		15 29
Bovett & Noble, " "		7 62
Gerst & Smith, " "		63 88

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Furness & Coggswell, Material and Labor,	37
Croughwell & Co., Forging and Repairs,	19 50
F. G. Guilds & Co., Freight and Cartage,	13 86
Henry K. Barnes, Lantern Holders,	4 00
S. C. Burton, Professional Services,	4 00
F. K. Chaffee, " "	7 50
M. L. Woodruff, " "	12 50
W. G. Backus, Cement.	35
J. C. Sprague, Use of Wagon and Cartage,	13 00
G. W. Branch, Material, Labor, Oil Can and Postage,	107 49
C. E. Merrill, 2 Horses,	150 00
E. W. Backman, 1 Horse,	100 00
H. S. Russell, Fixing Tank and Flues No. 3,	3 90
Geo. H. Frey, Labor,	50 00
W. W. Carpenter, Repairing Locks,	5 35
Jno. M. Duffy, 1 Fire Hat,	2 00
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., New Boiler for Central Station,	560 00
L. L. Atwood, 20 Loads of Gravel at 40 cents,	8 00
F. L. Cheney, Carpenter Work and Material,	108 75
City Market, Repairing Engine and making Wrenches,	17 00
Dennis Corey, Labor,	10 75
M. Beauchemin, "	64 50
Charles Urquhart, "	19 95
Mrs. Nelson Dewcatt, "	3 00
Roy Chapman, Labor and use of Team,	306 50
Daniel Murphy, " " "	48 30
E. S. Miller, " " "	1 70
F. X. Z. Poitras, Carpenter Work,	66 79
J. F. Messer, Labor,	60
Daniel O'Neil, "	2 00
Fred Hall, "	2 00
Joseph Parker, "	316 10
P. Sheridan, "	1 20
M. Marshall, "	2 80
Wm. Sipperly, "	70 50
J. J. Powers, Services at Station and Fire on Columbus Avenue,	15 10
Pontoosuc Woolen Co., 2 Rugs,	7 00
Wm. Harrahy, Meals for Firemen,	21 65
Elmer Conant, " " "	70
John Callahan, " " "	4 95
Berkshire Typewriter Paper Co., 1 ream Paper,	1 43
American Fire Engine Co., Feed Pumps, Valves, Grates, Etc.,	88 75

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Scoville Manufacturing Co., Buttons,	2 80
Hopkins & Clark, Metallic Hat,	5 50
C. S. Knowles, Cable Conductor and Boxes,	347 88
Pittsfield Carriage Co., Repairs No. 2 Cart,	17 00
H. S. Taylor & Son, Coat and Cap,	25 75
Stanley Electric Co., Parafine,	3 24
American Fusee Co., Fusees,	3 00
Berkshire Tack Co., Vitrol,	1 17
Sun Printing Co., 200 Cards,	1 17
V. Viner, Teams on Steamer, and Supply Wagon,	244 50
E. W. Backman, Team on Steamer, Truck and Fire Alarm Line,	504 52
Geo. R. Barber, Team on Steamer,	119 00
C. E. Merrill, Team on Steamer, making over Truck and Material and Labor,	571 00
Samuel Bridges, Livery,	6 50
E. Markham, Mason Work,	7 41
W. F. Francis, Chief, Sundry Bills Paid,	113 09
P. C. Langdon, Renovating,	50
J. P. O'Connell, Repairs,	6 70
Wood Bros. Tuning Piano and Box,	3 50
H. L. Gregory, Rubber Boots as per contract,	85 55
Bartley Cummings, Jr. Services as Steward,	576 00
John Frederick's, Services as Driver and Labor,	263 40
John Corkhill, Painting,	264 51
E. B. Mead, Wagon for Chief,	89 75
Gamwell & Linnehan, Shades and Mats,	9 45
Garvin & Tanner, Coal as per contract,	339 56
Deeley & O'Keefe, Blacksmithing,	26 43
James Cassidy, "	5 25
T. H. Richardson, Repairing Clocks,	1 50
Edwards Jewelry Store, Repairing Clocks,	2 25
Pittsfield Electric Co. Electric Light for Central Station,	415 63
Pittsfield Electric Co. Electric Light for No. 3 House,	95 75
New England Tel. and Tel. Co. Rent of Telephone,	36 00
Eureka Electric Co. Labor on Fire Alarm,	393 54
" " " Material used on Fire Alarm,	129 87
New England Gamwell Co. Fire Alarm Boxes, Gongs, Repairs, Supplies and Battery Complete,	1,920 42
Pittsfield Electric Co. Battery Current,	23 16
F. J. Burlingham, ½ Doz. Whips,	7 50

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Read, Holliday & Sons, Germal,	6 25	
J. R. Newman & Sons, Mittens,	3 50	
Monroe & Smith, Gloves and Mittens,	36 76	
E. M. Cohen & Co. Rubber Hats,	2 50	
H. H. Easterbrook, 1 Copy Mass. Fire Laws,	1 00	
T. R. Glentz, 1 Cord Kiln Dried Wood,	8 00	
Postal Tel. Cable Co. Telegrams,	2 50	
William Villeaneau, Stoker Steamer 1,	100 00	
W. S. Barrows, " " 2,	100 00	
Wm. Croughwell, Stoker and Engineer, Steamer 3, and extra work,	118 53	
John Le Barnes, Engineer and extra work, Steamer 3,	112 00	
William Lloyd, Engineer Steamer 2,	120 00	
W. C. Shepard, Engineer Steamer 1,	120 00	
R. K. Willard, foreman Protective, pay roll,	$492 96	
W. H. McCarry, foreman H. & L. Co., "	534 35	
F. X. Z. Poitras, " No. 1, "	520 40	
F. J. Clark, " No. 2 Co., "	597 64	
E. F. Fahey, " No. 3 Co., "	501 50	
Jas. Reagan, stoker and labor, No. 3 Steamer,	25 07	
Daniel Corey, labor,	3 20	
P. Sheridan, labor,	2 80	
Prince & Walker, rugs,	4 00	
		$15,724 83
Unexpended balance,		$25 17

FURNITURE FOR RUSSELL SCHOOLHOUSE.—Loan.

Expended:

H. B. Wellington, furniture,	$87 65
F. A. Robbins, 7 eight day clocks,	33 00
Prince & Walker, window shades,	74 15
Z. A. Ward, 2 number tables,	48 00
U. S. School Furniture Co., desks,	1,152 20
Petherbridge & Burns, 2 Vienna chairs and mirror,	5 00
Overdraft.	$1,400 00

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FURNITURE FOR ELIZABETH ST. SCHOOL HOUSE.—LOAN.

Expended:		
Prince & Walker, window shades,	$90 69	
H. B. Wellington, furniture,	87 65	
F. A. Robbins, 7 eight day clocks,	33 00	
Z. A. Ward, 2 number tables,	48 00	
U. S. School Furniture Co., desks,	1,166 00	
N. L. Cain, material and labor,	39 12	
Petherbridge & Burns, tables,	24 04	
G. N. Hopkins, desk,	11 50	
Overdraft,	$1,500 00	

GRADING ALDER AND ELIZABETH STREETS.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$500 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$429 17	
Henry & Blain, Iron Flue,	31 40	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	5 00	
A. A. Fobes, surveying,	9 61	
J. C. Harding, surveying,	11 25	
J. N. Tanner, "	1 88	
W. J. Devanny, "	2 82	
Ivan Shepardson, "	1 87	
H. A. Clark, "	7 00	
		$500 00

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.—LOAN.

Unexpended Bal. Loan, 1895,	$11,554 77
Note Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	15,000 00
" W. C. Dalzell,	5,000 00
" Agricultural Nat. Bank,	10,000 00
" The Bearer,	10,000 00
Sale of Powers' House,	37 00
Note Anna P. Walker,	5,000 00
" Lucy W. Mallory,	5,000 00
" Curtis & Motley,	26,000 00
	$87,591 77

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Expended:

Hopkins & Roberts, Builders, Payments on Contract,	$71,557 05	
Baltimore Terra Cotta & Roofing Tile Co., Terra Cotta,	7,935 84	
Pierce & Brun, Architects,	2,754 46	
W. G. Backus' Sons, on Account, Plumbing,	900 00	
D. J. McGillicuddy, Inspector, Salary,	491 80	
D. C. Bedell, Inspector, Salary,	555 00	
H. W. Patridge, Salary as Secretary of Committee,	75 00	
Wm. Powers, Life Lease of Property,	2,000 00	
D. M. Greene, 2 Days Services as Expert and Expenses,	48 41	
D. H. Tower, Services as Expert,	110 00	
City of Pittsfield, Water Connections,	54 17	
D. C. Bedell, Labor, Supt. Office,	11 97	
W. G. Backus' Sons, 8 Samples Copper,	75	
Samuel Bridges, Livery,	1 00	
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	9 61	
W. J. Devanny, "	1 13	
Ivan Shepardson, "	1 13	
W. H. Clark, "	44	
John McLaughlin, Labor.	12 15	
John Roach, Labor,	3 31	
Martin Dowd, "	3 50	
		$86,526 72
Unexpended Balance Loan,		$1,065 05

HIGHWAYS.

Appropriation,	$14,000 00
Transfer from Bridge Repairs,	1,000 00
" " Sidewalks,	600 00
Additional Appropriation,	626 40
	$16,226 40
Transfer to Dalton Avenue Bridge,	169 94
	$16,056 46

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Expended:

E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$12,634 92
T. R. Glentz, Stakes, Templets and Supplies,	54 98
C. E. Merrill, Material and Labor,	143 40
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	239 38
Geo. A. Bidwell, " "	40
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	241 97
S. G. Armstrong, Surveying,	33 42
Ivan Shepardson, "	64 49
H. D. Osgood, "	23 87
W. J. Devanny, "	109 69
W. H. Clark, "	39 39
Jas. C. Harding, "	71 43
Clifford Moore, "	4 43
Geo. A. Murdock, "	11 50
W. S. Moore, "	7 89
J. N. Tanner, "	19 52
H. A. Clark, "	6 12
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	12 75
E. W. Backman, "	156 83
Talbot Brothers, Supplies,	27 52
H. P. Lucas, "	68 35
A. A. Mills, "	2 18
Barker & Belden, "	25 69
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	12 45
R. A. Rockwell, "	4 31
Geo. Blatchford, "	1 00
Dodge & Devanny, "	131 48
E. Williams, "	53 02
Peter Burns, "	1 91
C. C. Gamwell, "	90
Hall & Owen, "	3 70
Jason N. Shepardson, Use of Horse and Wagon,	431 65
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	18 00
F. H. Printiss, Looking up Deeds,	8 75
Howard & Morrow, 1 50 foot Ext. Ladder,	17 50
A. E. French, Painting,	15 00
P. Cummings, Blacksmithing,	3 45
P. Fallon, "	81 85
Postal Telegraph Cable Co., Telegrams,	1 84
J. F. Murphy, Rubber Boots,	4 00
City of Pittsfield, Water Rates,	54 00
L. E. Harvey, 1 12 foot Ladder,	1 25
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	16 21
E. L. Parker, Lumber and Posts,	135 97

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A. N. French, Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,		25	
W. E. Tillotson,	Gravel,	101 90	
Wm. Dunn,	"	192 90	
E. D. Booth,	"	16 40	
Wm. Scace, Jr.,	"	5 50	
Martin Kelly,	"	35 30	
Frank Hale,	"	16 90	
Geo. Noble,	"	16 10	
Jas. Wilson, Trustee,	"	3 60	
Jas. Burke,	"	3 50	
P. Porter, Estate,	"	19 90	
S. N. & C. Russell Mfg. Co.,	"	8 50	
J. F. Clark,	"	60 40	
Dr. L. W. Cole,	"	21 20	
Grove Hulbert,	"	7 30	
Mrs. M. P. Harrington,	"	10 40	
Thomas Bros.,	"	21 00	
Chas. N. Read,	"	6 50	
C. Chamberlain,	"	3 20	
R. B. Richmond,	"	30	
Chas. L. Barker,	"	48 30	
Gilbert West,	"	20 52	
M. Hogan,	"	4 20	
J. R. Feeley,	"	8 50	
L. L. Atwood, gravel,		2 70	
W. B. Foote, gravel,		27 90	
P. P. Curtin, gravel,		8 10	
J. H. Butler, lumber,		91 50	
W. H. Gross, marble posts,		110 00	
Harrington Bros., painting signs,		7 50	
H. S. Wollison, painting signs,		6 35	
E. D. Jones & Sons Co., paid F. G. Guilds & Co., drawing gravel,		8 00	
F. G. Guilds & Co., freight and cartage,		4 50	
W. W. Carpenter, repairs,		2 00	
Kirk & Matthews, 2 hours labor,		90	
Ira R. Lawson, use of plow and breaking handle,		2 00	
Henry & Blain, iron flues,		136 00	
Caleb Colvin, catch basin covers,		12 00	
			$16,050 38
Unexpended balance,			$6 08

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HATHAWAY BROOK.—Loan.

Unexpended balance loan 1895,	$11 75
Unexpended.	

HANCOCK ROAD WATER EXTENSION.—Loan.

Unexpended balance 1895,	$305 77
Unexpended.	

INSURANCE.

Appropriation,		$ 900 00
Transfers from Miscellaneous Expenses,		1,300 00
		$2,200 00
Expended:		
Wilson & Read, Premiums,	$364 85	
Sloper & May, "	378 00	
J. M. Stevenson & Co., Premiums,	543 62	
Cooley & Russell, "	638 46	
Parker & Shipton, "	173 34	
Berkshire Mut. Fire Ins. Co., Premiums,	41 00	
Franklin " " " " "	11 26	
George T. Denny, supplies,	2 25	
		$2,152 78
Unexpended Balance,		$47 22

IMPROVEMENTS ON PECK'S ROAD.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$1,750 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$1,313 69	
Chas. Millar & Son, Pipe,	57 31	
F. H. Printiss, Looking up Deeds,	6 25	
F. G. Guiids & Co., Freight and Cartage,	12 08	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	10 80	

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A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	43 52	
W. J. Devanny, "	17 45	
J. C. Harding, "	14 63	
W. H. Clark, "	11 38	
Ivan Shepardson, "	12 01	
J. N. Tanner, "	8 63	
H. P. Lucas, Supplies,	14 55	
Talbot Bros., "	6 00	
Barker & Belden, "	2 00	
A. A. Mills, "	1 63	
Dodge & Devanny, Supplies,	102 52	
R. A. Rockwell, "	12	
T. R. Glentz, Grade Stakes,	15 00	
Patrick Fallon, Blacksmithing,	4 35	
Peter Cummings, "	1 95	
Chas. N. Read, Sand,	2 50	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	40	
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	36 00	
P. P. Curtin, Gravel,	50 70	
		$1,745 47
Unexpended,		$4 53

INTEREST ON SEWER DEBT.

Appropriation,		$12,000 00
Expended:		
Agricultural Nat. Bank, Int. on Notes,	$312 50	
Berkshire Life Ins. Co., "	1,245 01	
Berkshire Co. Savings Rank, "	355 41	
Nat. Bank of Redemption, Boston, Int. on Coupon Bonds,	6,600 00	
E. H. Kennedy, City Treas., Paid Int. on Reg. Bonds,	2,400 00	
		$10,912 92
Unexpended Balance,		$1,087 08

INTEREST ON CITY DEBT.

Appropriation,	$17,000 00
Transfer to Miscellaneous Expenses,	5,000 00
	$12,000 00

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Expended:		
Berkshire Co. Savings Bank,	$252 44	
Curtis & Motley, Boston,	5,098 52	
Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	1,864 67	
Housatonic Nat. Bank,	785 00	
City Savings Bank,	472 84	
Zenas Crane,	50 00	
P. M. Taylor,	750 00	
		$9,273 47
Unexpended Balance,		$2,726 53

INTEREST ON WATER DEBT.

Appropriation,		$14,000 00
Expended:		
Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	$5,682 33	
Nat. Bank of Redemption, Boston,	3,600 00	
State St. Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Boston,	192 00	
Berkshire Co. Savings Bank,	1,864 17	
City Savings Bank,	241 73	
Curtis & Motley, Boston,	316 12	
		$11,896 35
Unexpended balance,		$2,103 65

MILL BROOK WATER ADDITION.—Loan.

Unexpended Balance, 1895,		$1,390 19
Transfer to Ashley Lake Survey,		700 00
		690 19
Transfer from Ashley Lake Survey,		124 94
		$815 13
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$193 88	
A. A. Mills, Supplies,	6 94	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	5 32	
Talbot Bros., "	24 36	
Barker & Belden, "	2 35	
O. S. Hutchinson, "	2 10	
Dodge & Devanny, "	3 55	
H. P. Lucas, "	26 78	
Pittsfield Lumber Co., "	14 81	

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Ann M. Holden, Deed of Land,	85 00	
S. S. Wheeler, Photo of Pipe Connection, Elm and Middle Sts.,	2 00	
F. H. Printiss, Looking up Deeds,	2 50	
Mrs. Jane Dexter, Lighting Road,	1 50	
Chauncy Sears, Damage for Pipe Crossing Property,	135 00	
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	3 60	
Hall & Owen,	3 82	
C. E. Merrill, Material and Labor,	5 10	
H. S. Russell, " " "	40	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	62	
E. D. Jones Sons & Co., " " "	1 80	
T. R. Glentz, " " "	19 20	
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	33 13	
S. G. Armstrong, "	86 63	
Ivan Shepardson, "	9 30	
H. D. Osgood, "	7 63	
W. J. Devanny, "	8 43	
Wm. Moore, "	87	
J. N. Tanner, "	59 56	
H. A. Clark, "	7 00	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	27 00	
E. W. Backman, "	34 95	
		$815 13

MEMORIAL DAY.

Appropriation,		$250 00
Expended.		
W. F. Sloper, Treasurer,	$250 00	
		$250 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Appropriation,		$35,403 69
Transfer from Permanent Improvement,	$3,995 00	
" " Interest on City Loans,	5,000 00	
		8,995 00
		$44,398 69
Emergent Fund from City Clerk,		50 00
		$44,448 69

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Transfer to		
Dalton Ave. Survey,	$100 00	
Fitting up No. 1 Engine House,	200 00	
Repairs on Burbank and Tyler Sts.,	2,500 00	
Insurance,	300 00	
Construction of Bicycle Path,	300 00	
Connecting Eves City Hall and Police Station with Sewer,	150 00	
New Barns at Almshouse,	3,800 00	
Surface Drainage,	1,200 00	
Pomeroy Bridge,	8,000 00	
Grading Alder and Elizabeth Streets,	500 00	
Repairs to Pest House,	200 00	
Center Street Sewer,	3,000 00	
Improvements on Peck's Road,	1,750 00	
Pontoosuc Ave,	2,750 00	
Pearl Street Tool House,	1,000 00	
Insurance,	1,000 00	
Pomeroy Bridge,	900 00	
Outside Poor,	1,400 00	
Fire Department,	750 00	
Enlarging Brick School-House, Orchard St.,	173 03	
Pearl Street MacAdam,	60	
State Highway,	12 00	
Soldiers' Relief,	250 00	
State Aid,	300 00	
Contingent Expenses, Police Dept.,	250 00	
Election Expenses,	31 43	
Russell's School House,	805 30	
		$31,622 36
		$12,826 33

Expended :	
S. G. Armstrong, Surveying for Highway Committee,	$17 59
J. N. Tanner, Surveying for Highway Committee,	18 37
A. A. Fobes, Surveying for Highway Committee,	118 75
W. J. Devanny, Surveying for Highway Committee,	77 62
Ivan Shepardson, Surveying for Highway Committee,	58 88
J. C. Harding, Surveying for Highway Committee,	14 62
Walter Clark, Surveying for Highway Committee,	12 69

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H. A. Clark, Surveying for Highway Committee,	88
Curtis & Motley, Boston, Commission on Loans,	152 43
E. H. Kennedy, City Treas., paid Officers Fees for District Court, Postage and Supplies,	428 31
W. J. Coogan, P. M., Stamped Envelopes, Tax Collector,	40 00
F. R. Strong, Collector, Allowance for Clerk hire,	275 00
E. C. Hill, City Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,	151 92
O. S. Fish, D. Sheriff, Service of Papers,	10 50
G. R. Barber, Livery for Assessors,	10 50
A. A. Mills, Supplies for Auditor and Collector,	8 14
John Campbell, Burial Agent, Soldiers,	70 00
F. R. Strong, Collector, Paid W. J. Coogan, P. M., Envelopes and Stamps,	222 70
H. K. Mulford Co., Supplies for Board of Health,	129 82
S. C. Burton, Chairman, Board of Health, Expenses to Boston to attend hearing before Senate Committee,	25 65
Samuel Bridges, Livery for Committee on Highways, Claims and Assessors,	31 50
E. W. Backman, Livery for Committee on Highways, Sewers, and Tax Collector in 1894,	19 80
L. K. Albro, Agent, Rent for Public Dumping Ground,	100 00
Barker & Belden, Typewriter Ribbon for Collector,	1 00
Pittsfield News Co., Subscription Springfield Republican,	10 75
Morgan, Crossman & Co., Supplies,	18 55
Edward Cain, Salary as Clerk of Board of Health,	25 00
H. B. Wellington, Use of Chairs,	7 50
E. T. Holmes, Census of Births and Serving Notices,	72 39
M. Leahy, Census of Births,	40 00
W. M. and W. J. Mercer, Return of Births,	32 75
J. A. Langlois, " " "	16 25
M. L. Woodruff, " " "	3 00
W. H. & W. M. Wentworth, " " "	1 50

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E. S. Pixley,	Return of Births,	1 00
Mrs. Schilling,	" " "	75
S. C. Burton,	" " "	50
O. S. Roberts,	" " "	12 00
Dudley Leavitt,	" " "	7 25
Jas. H. Tobin,	" " "	4 25
Mrs. Peter Bayer,	" " "	4 00
Henry Colt,	" " "	3 75
H. R. Van Rensselaer,	" " "	2 75
J. F. A. Adams,	" " "	1 25
A. B. Withington,	" " "	1 00
Wm. D. Camp,	" " "	50
Kinney & Behan, Death Returns,		22 00
Jas. W. Meehan, "	"	21 25
G. N. Hopkins, "	"	18 25
Burton Jolls, "	"	11 75
Wellington & Crosier"	"	12 75
Wellington & Crosier, Draping Desk and Hacks furnished,		21 50
Wellington & Crosier, Burials by order of Board of Health,		36 00
G. N. Hopkins, Replacing Furniture, order of Board of Health,		30 50
G. N. Hopkins, Use of Chairs,		3 75
Edward Cain, City Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,		14 88
Wm. D. Meigs, Recording Marriages, Births and Deaths,		31 50
W. F. Hawkins, Expenses to Boston, State, Highway Commission and Board of Health,		35 00
John Allen Root, Supplies, License Commissioners,		2 65
C. E. Burfitt, 1 Day Examination Burbank Block,		10 00
Carl Hydren, Supplies order Board of Health,		1 00
A. H. Waddell, Services in case Typhoid in Pigs,		2 00
D. C. Bedell, Copying Specifications,		6 50
T. S. Buck, Supplies,		14 80
F. H. Printiss, Looking up Deeds for Com. on Highways,		14 00
Anna V. Coogan, Clerical services for Assessors,		118 75
J. H. Francis, Clerical services for Assessors,		140 00

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Kathryn I. Payne, Clerical service for Assessors,	47 50
C. H. Waite, Supplies,	4 60
A. J. Wilkins & Co., for Sealer of Weights and Measures,	10 66
Mary A. Bristol, Typewriting,	20 10
Talbot Bros., Supplies,	5 58
Allen Bros., Supplies for Sealer of Weights and Measures,	2 22
P. C. Langdon, Renovating,	3 00
Grace Eisner, Engrossing Resolutions,	5 00
B. O'Loughlin, Painting Signs,	4 50
C. G. Clark, Work for Assessors,	3 75
Library Bureau, Supplies for Assessors,	96 96
M. L. Woodruff, Express for Board of Health,	50
Wm. Stewart, Care of City Clock,	50 00
John White, Design "floral," funeral E. B. Mead,	10 00
Jon. G. Orr, refund of Taxes illegally assessed,	8 40
E. C. Hill, City Clerk, Emergent fund,	50 00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., tolls for City treas.	6 65
County of Berkshire, Board of Truants,	232 00
Stanley Electric Co., Supplies,	88
Priest, Page & Co., Supplies for Sealer of Weights and Measures,	161 20
Town of Hancock, refund of School Tuition,	10 80
Coughlin & Walsh, Safe for City Treas'er,	55 00
J. H. Manning, Expenses to Boston three trips, and Mucilage for Auditor,	44 25
Jno. F. Noxon, Safe for Supt. of Poor, and petition for survey of Silver Lake,	103 00
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	2 44
O. L. Wood, D. S., Service of Papers,	1 66
G. A. Bidwell, Supplies for Examination of Plumbers,	31 65
W. H. Peters, Care of Public Dumps and Burning Infested Goods,	222 00
E. A. Talbot, Expenses to Boston,	10 80
G. A. Murdock, Surveying for Highway Committee,	137 42
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	1 69
V. Viner, Team to Savoy, City Council,	17 50
O. B. Butterfield, Collector, Taxes in Town of Hancock,	3 29

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C. E. Merrill, 1 Desk and Repairs to Assessors' Vault,	3 90
F. R. Strong, Collector, 5 per cent Commission on Poll Taxes,	267 60
W. F. Francis, Collector, Allowance for Clerk Hire,	25 00
E. H. Nash, Expenses four Councilmen Greenhalge Memorial Services,	34 55
F. G. Guilds & Co., Cartage and Work for Committee on Highways,	5 88
G. N. Kinnell, Allowance for Use of Horse and Wagon,	200 00
A. Schurmeyer & Co., Supplies, Order of Board of Health,	55
H. A. Hovey, Supplies, Order of Board of Health,	50
C. C. Gamwell, Supplies,	1 25
Mrs. P. Tierney, for Goods Destroyed by Board of Health,	34 30
Ada Connors, Services as Nurse, Board of Health,	30 00
Euclide Madden, for Goods Destroyed by Board of Health,	18 20
William Gough, for Goods Destroyed by Board of Health,	31 45
J. D. Shipton, Work for Assessors,	55 00
John Corkhill, Lettering Sign, City Clerk,	1 00
George Blatchford, Supplies,	4 25
J. P. Shannon & Co., Exchange on Typewriter, City Clerk,	75 00
E. M. Wilkins & Co, Supplies,	2 00
F. A. Robbins, "	2 00
Morris Lederer, Damage to Property on Robbins Ave., caused by change of grade,	200 00
Henry Beitzel, Damage to his Property, caused by flooding of cellar, corner of Southern Ave. and River St.,	60 00
Geo. Y. Learned, Allowance for Clerk Hire,	300 00
J. W. Powers, Damage to his Property caused by flooding of cellar, West St.,	400 00
Mary A. Brennan, Damage to Sleigh on account of Defective Highway,	10 00
Samuel G. Cornelius, Damage to Property in re-locating Onota St. in 1894,	50 00

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G. Harry Stevens, Damage to Property, River St.,	150 00	
M. J. and Sarah Kelly, Damage to Cellar Wall on Newell St., caused by break in drain pipe,	50 00	
John Farley, Damage te Property, Tyler Street,	250 00	
Sarah Madison, for Injury received caused by Defect in Richmond Ave.,	300 00	
Anna B. Richards, for injury received caused by defective sidewalk, Beaver St.,	300 00	
Callahan & Durkee, Execution, Superior Court, for damages on account of obstruction in street, corner of Francis Ave. and Bradford St.,	90 32	
John Hopper, for injury received caused by defective highway, Peck's Road,	300 00	
Chas. Carver, for use of timbers under old school house, Elizabeth St.,	25 00	
F. S. Perry and Wm. Dunn, damage to horse and carriage, caused by defective highway, South St.,	25 00	
		7,499 94
Unexpended balance,		$5,326 39

LIGHTING STREETS.

Appropriation,		$12,000 00
Expended:		
Pittsfield Electric Co.,	$11,633 65	
		11,633 65
Unexpended balance,		$366 35

NEW SEWER DEBT.

Appropriation,		$10,000 00
Expended:		
Nat. Bank of Redemption, Boston.		
New Sewer Bonds, Nos. 21 to 30 inclusive,	$10,000 00	

NEW SEWERS.—Loan.

Note No. 117, 4 per cent,		$2,000 00
Expended: Overdraft, 1895,		89 52
		$1,910 48

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E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$1,129 09	
L. K. Albro, Services as Clerk,	700 00	
Jas. O'Loughlin, 40 yds. Cheese Cloth,	2 00	
C. M. Markham, Brick as per Contract,	13 13	
M. McDonald, Rubber Boots,	16 00	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	10 13	
Dutton & Tucker, "	90	
Kenffel & Esser, "	5 29	
Geo. Blatchford, Supplies, "	7 89	
Dodge & Devanny, "	77 71	
T. R. Glentz, "	75	
E. Williams, "	1 00	
Barker & Belden, "	1 21	
Patrick Condron, Brick,	6 02	
Wm. Mahanna, "	70 20	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	1 35	
E. W. Backman, "	7 22	
Sullivan & Campbell, Livery,	4 05	
W. & L. E. Gurley, Repairing Transit,	25 00	
Sun Printing Co., Permits and Supplies,	7 75	
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	14 80	
R. B. Richmond, 3 Loads of Sand,	2 40	
Deeley & O'Keefe, Blacksmithing,	13 61	
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	5 00	
Pratt & Cady Co., Manhole Castings,	138 85	
Pittsfield Lumber Co., Lumber,	4 51	$2,265 86
Overdraft, 1896,	$355 38	

NEW BARNS AT ALMS HOUSE.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$3,800 00
Expended:		
Journal Printing Co., Advertising,	$8 00	
Eagle Publishing Co., "	5 26	
John K. Strong, Making Estimates,	5 00	
George R. Barber, Livery,	5 50	
C. E. Burfitt, Plans and Specifications,	51 00	
Freeman Jordan, Payments on Contract,	2,500 00	2,574 76
Unexpended balance,		$1,225 24

NEW HIGH SCHOOL SITE.—Loan.

Balance Loan, 1895, Unexpended, 1896.	$377 18

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OFFICE EXPENSES OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.

Appropriation:		$25 00
Expended:		
Kathryn Kenney, Engrossing Licenses,	$25 00	

OUTSIDE POOR.

Appropriation :		$9,500 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses :		1,400 00
		$10,900 00
Emergent Fund :		50 00
		$10,950 00
Expended :		
John W. Clark, Chairman Overseers of Poor, Emergent Fund,	50 00	
John W. Clark, Chairman Overseers of Poor, Payments Emergent Fund,	393 80	
Mrs. J. A. Maxim, Rent Furnished,	12 50	
John Crosby, " "	5 00	
John Johnson, " "	102 00	
M. Atkinson, " "	63 00	
E. Nash & Bro. " "	118 00	
A. B. Whipple, " "	72 00	
C. H. Bills, " "	25 00	
L. K. Loynes, " "	23 50	
Wm. O'Connell, " "	96 00	
Mrs. Kate Welsh, " "	73 00	
John C. West, estate, " "	9 00	
Patrick Cullen, " "	66 00	
M. McDonald, " "	13 50	
Wm. Pierce, " "	8 00	
Ryan & Hawkins, Agts. " "	3 00	
H. A. Root, " "	72 00	
Mrs. John Scott, " "	66 00	
F. F. Read, " "	48 00	
Wm. Turtle, " "	12 00	
Freeman Jordan, " "	72 00	
Geo. D. Pratt, " "	4 00	
B. O'Loughlin, " "	18 00	
R. N. Dowd, Agent, " "	5 00	
Mrs. Phebe Whipple, " "	3 50	
Pittsfield Electric Co., " "	7 00	
Robert Kelly, Rent and Supplies,	74 00	

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Mary Bills,	Support of Poor,	148 64
Edward Thomas,	" "	113 22
Mary C. Hibbart,	" "	72 00
Mary A. Balcolm,	" "	60 00
Mrs. Charles H. Stone,	" "	72 00
Michael Breen,	" "	28 00
Ester Pomeroy,	" "	13 25
Mrs. Patrick Farrell,	" "	72 00
Edward C. Clark,	" "	78 40
Mrs. Katie Carey,	" "	6 00
Mrs. Katie O'Connell,	" "	90 66
Geo. Bills,	" "	4 14
Mrs. Susan Mooney,	" "	8 00
A. D, Johnson,	" "	52 28
Mrs. Geo. Gordon, nurse,	"	9 00
Mrs. John Cannon,	Aid Rendered,	96 00
Mary Collins,	" "	48 00
Mrs. W. J. Steele,	" "	5 53
Louis Fairfield,	" "	48 00
Nellie Vincent,	" "	18 00
Louisa Rowen,	" "	30 00
Mrs. P. Connors,	" "	18 90
Lottie Oliver,	" "	17 42
Austin C. Gage,	" "	48 00
Joseph Gildrie,	" "	180 00
Mrs. D. P. Merriam,	" "	48 00
Aggie Lorange,	" "	72 00
Jennie Burke,	" "	91 00
Johanna Hover,	" "	25 16
John Suthern,	" "	24 00
W. Cole,	Supplies,	1 00
C. Polly & Co.,	"	40 50
Clinton Grocery Co.,	"	9 00
Baime & Handler,	"	4 14
D. C. Kerr,	"	10 50
Kennedy & MacInnes,	"	5 00
F. A. Smith,	"	24 00
Markstein & Rosenthal,	"	4 00
W. P. Griffen,	"	13 22
Pomeroy Store,	"	2 00
Reid & Barnfather,	"	11 00
Hovey & Co.,	"	16 00
R. W. Renfrew & Son,	"	13 50
Cullen Bros.,	"	5 00
G. T. & W. C. Mandigo,	"	19 00
P. Eichelser,	"	2 30
Jno. F. Murphy,	"	3 50

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W. H. McCarry,	Supplies,	4 50
Brooks & Read,	"	21 50
Otto Keller,	"	5 00
J. R. Newman & Sons,	"	2 00
Driscoll & O'Brien,	"	3 00
Catherine Murphy,	"	2 00
F. W. Brewster,	"	3 50
D. Johnson,	"	10 00
M. Doheney,	"	19 25
H. S. Taylor & Son,	"	8 00
E. King & Son,	"	97 00
Boston Branch,	"	114 50
J. Sugden,	"	37 75
H. J. Bedford,	"	95 25
Monroe & Smith,	"	8 50
James Eagen,	"	199 39
Coughlin & Walsh,	"	205 85
M. Goldstein,	"	94 00
L. Rosenheim,	"	41 00
C. C. Gamwell,	"	231 31
J. H. & J. J. Enright,	"	58 25
G. W. Pease & Co.,	"	148 25
Garvin & Tanner,	"	793 45
John O'Connell,	"	133 50
M. Drennan,	"	306 00
Max Vogel,	"	42 50
Petherbridge & Burns,	"	8 20
C. J. Frank, Jr.,	"	49 50
McMahon, Kernan & Co.,	"	24 00
M. P. Lawton & Son,	"	209 15
C. F. Smith,	"	147 00
C. M. Barnes,	"	27 00
McCormick & Joyce,	"	138 26
J. M. Linnehan & Co.,	"	172 00
Mrs. Geo. B. Castle,	"	90 00
O. Root & Sons,	"	26 50
M. J. McMahon,	"	50 25
Jno. H. Noble,	"	1 00
Patrick McGee,	"	10 50
F. M. White,	"	66 75
Wm. Hunt,	"	14 00
Crandall & Williams,	"	47 00
P. P. Curtin,	"	156 75
J. M. Lee,	"	104 50
R. N. Harris,	"	2 00
A. N. Parker,	"	16 50
Chas. H. Grant,	"	6 00

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A. H. Harrison,	Supplies,	52 50
Pease & Pratt,	"	58 00
Gilbert West & Son,	"	186 50
J. Kirchner,	"	2 00
A. Schurmeyer,	"	2 00
J. J. Foster & Co.,	"	11 86
Commonwealth of Mass., Transportation and Support,		25 33
City of Holyoke, Care of Poor,		220 39
Sisters of Providence, Care of Poor,		225 00
House of Mercy, Care of Poor,		31 42
Eagle Pub. Co., Citation,		4 00
City of North Adams, Care of Poor,		152 18
Town of Becket,	"	46 86
Hospital Cottages,	"	14 86
City of Springfield,	"	37 47
Town of Colrain,	"	26 59
Town of Dalton,	"	86 12
City of Boston,	"	26 88
Town of Cummington, Care of Poor,		32 50
City of Lawrence,	" "	12 00
Fahey's Pharmacy, Prescriptions,		40 55
J. J. Murphy,	"	216 10
W. K. Rice,	"	21 50
R. E. Willard & Son,	"	56 50
C. H. Waite,	"	41 95
Carl Haydren,	"	37 15
T. H. Farrell,	"	22 95
W. H. Currier & Co.,	"	40 75
Edgar E. Wilkins & Co.,	"	52 85
F. A. Hull,	"	45 38
J. H. Manning,	"	52 20
Kinney & Behan, Burials,		63 00
Wellington & Crosier,	"	49 80
Jas. W. Meehan,	"	88 00
G. N. Hopkins,	"	35 00
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, Care of Insane,		169 92
Northampton Lunatic Hospital,	" "	1,601 75
B. Jolls, Burials,		15 00
D. C. Elliot, Moving Poor,		4 00
Thomas Green,	" "	2 50
V. Viner,	" "	8 00
Samuel Bridges, Livery,		4 00
E. W. Backman,	"	2 00
Pittsfield Cemetary, Interments,		8 00

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W. M. Mercer, Professional Services and Supplies,	11 00	
	$11,291 58	
		$10,950 00
Overdraft,		341 58
		$11,291 58

PARKS AND COMMON.

Appropriation,		$300 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$225 02	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	1 35	
E. W. Backman, "	1 35	
H. P. Lucas, Supplies,	31 55	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	75	
Albert E. French, Painting,	10 00	
W. B. Foote, Oil and Can,	45	
A. M. Chapel, Repairing Lawn Mower,	1 00	
Foster I. Drake, Keeping Plants and Vases,	2 00	
Pittsfield Floral Greenhouses, Plants for Tubs and Beds,	7 50	
McCormick & Joyce, 1 Bushel Salt,	60	
		$281 57
Unexpended Balance,		18 43

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT.

Appropriation,		$4,000 00
Transfer to Miscellaneous Expenses,		3,995 00
		$500 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$5 00	

PEARL STREET MACADAM.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$0 60
Expended:		
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	$0 60	

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,		$73,000 00
Expended:		
E. H. Kennedy, City Treas., Teachers' Pay Roll,	$47,737 02	
Eugene Bouton, Salary as Supt.,	2,250 00	
E. Bouton, Supt., Payments from Emergent Fund,	288 87	
A. Starkweather, Salary as Truant Officer,	775 00	
Owen Conlin, Janitor, High School,	351 22	
Mrs. M. J. Feeley, " Linden St. School,	45 00	
Thos. Campbell, " Elizabeth St. School,	138 33	
Thos. Austin, " Linden St. School,	29 56	
M. Bagg, " Center School,	279 13	
L. P. Alexander, " Orchard St. School, and Carpenter Work,	603 24	
Jacob Frey, Janitor, Morningside School,	391 58	
Jas. Denny, Sr., Janitor, Fenn St. School,	395 33	
Wm. Thomas, " Pontoosuc School,	303 67	
Mrs. John Kempf, " Russell's School,	143 00	
E. S. Horton, Carpenter Work,	659 79	
Patrick O'Grady, Janitor, Russell's School,	162 96	
M. Normile, Janitor, Stearnsville School,	254 00	
Mary A. Synan, Care of School,	54 00	
F. Tuggey, Janitor, Silver Lake School,	80 00	
Nellie Casey, Janitor, Osceola School,	40 00	
Mrs. L. Clifton, Janitor, Onota St. School,	24 50	
Annie Kelly, " " " "	14 00	
J. Abberger, " " " "	2 00	
Milton Bradley Co., Supplies,	54 00	
M. P. Lawton & Son, "	131 25	
C. C. Gamwell, "	587 20	
E. R. Blakeman, Setting up Blackboards, etc.,	9 00	
Pittsfield Electric Co., Electric Light, Orchard St.,	1 34	
Howard & Morrow, Shovels and Chisel,	2 15	
The Morse Co., Maps,	2 88	
Chas. J. Goodrich, Att'y, Material and Labor,	27 53	
H. S. Wollison, " " "	472 16	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., " " "	132 02	
Parsons & Sears, " " "	46 05	
American Pad and Paper Co., Tablets,	102 68	
Wm. Divan, Labor,	2 62	
Jas. Reid, Labor,	2 62	
John C. West, Estate, Rent and Heating High School,	937 50	

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O. D. Case & Co., Ink wells,	30 00
Eagle Pub.Co., Drawing paper and supplies,	79 80
Jas. H. Butler, Lumber,	7 65
Harriet L. Blinn, Teaching one week,	18 00
C. J. Russell, " "	15 00
G. W. Branch, Material and labor,	87 29
Barker & Belden, Supplies,	235 67
C. S. Ferry & Son, Lumber,	427 01
John Corkhill, Material and Labor,	97 98
P. P. Curtin, Supplies,	6 79
Kennedy & MacInnes, Supplies,	7 53
Pittsfield Coal Gas Co., Gas light,	40 05
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	118 29
Samuel Bridges, Livery,	252 10
A. P. Sykes, Carrying School Children,	144 00
Geo. T. Denny, Supplies,	133 45
A. A. Mills, Supplies,	60 86
Talbot Bros., Supplies,	262 35
G. F. King & Merrill, Tablets, Paper and Supplies,	554 39
J. L. Hammett & Co., Supplies,	443 21
R. E. Willard & Son, Supplies,	9 63
Petherbridge & Burns, Furniture and two Tables,	15 46
Edw. E. Babb & Co., Pads and Supplies,	125 28
T. R. Glentz, Material and Labor,	12 75
Gamwell & Linnehan, Window Shades,	45 70
Garvin & Tanner, Coal as per contract,	3,968 85
Sheldon & Co., Books,	494 85
Ginn & Co., "	596 17
American Book Co., "	1,416 29
D. C. Heath & Co., "	105 02
Silver, Burdett & Co., "	137 65
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, "	94 58
F. G. Guilds & Co., Freight and Cartage,	134 59
W. Austin, Janitor Elizabeth St. School,	6 46
R. E. Birks, Painting,	3 00
Amy Reynolds, Care of School Room,	40 00
M. A. Hathaway, " " " "	37 00
A. B. Herrick, " " " "	27 00
Myrtie L. Elmer, " " " "	30 00
Abby J. Barnes, " " " "	25 80
M. E. Rousseau, " " " "	26 00
M. J. C. Sheridan, " " " "	15 75
M. E. Warren, " " " "	22 00
E. J. Hagerty, " " " "	24 00
Sadie Helen French, " " "	27 75

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Dennis Linnehan, Janitor Linden St. School,	488 50
Dodd, Mead & Co., Books,	42 75
Lothrop Publishing Co., Books,	15 00
University Publishing Co., Books,	557 26
R. A. Rockwell, Supplies,	65 42
A. B. Dick Co., "	35 70
Prang Educational Co., Supplies,	148 03
Geo. Blatchford, "	131 06
Holden Patent Book Cover Co., Book Covers,	104 78
H. P. Lucas, Supplies,	48 23
Journal Printing Co., Advertising and Supplies,	25 50
Geo. A. Bidwell, Material and Labor,	28 50
Thompson, Brown & Co., Books,	29 83
E. C. Smith, Salary, Chart and Use of Horse,	180 00
W. G. Backus' Sons, Material and Labor,	405 86
D. Appleton & Co., Supplies,	49 23
Jos. Gillotte & Sons, Pens,	96 75
H. E. Holt, Chart,	6 00
C. A. Bryam, Sundry Bills Paid,	11 31
F. Harrington, Plowing Snow,	21 00
Jas. Cheevers, " "	10 00
Arabella Roach, Car Tickets,	1 49
M. J. Judge, Supplies,	9 60
John J. Elser, Setting and Care of Trees,	100 00
Dutton & Tucker, Supplies,	3 36
City of Pittsfield, Water Rates and Sewer Connections,	130 51
Sun Printing Co., Advertising and Supplies,	134 75
Boston School Supply Co., Supplies,	122 56
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Books,	35 40
Wood Brothers Pitch Pipes, Repairs and Tuning,	36 05
W. A. Choate Co., Ink Wells and Glasses,	91 38
Thomas Bros., Contract for Cleaning etc.,	76 50
C. S. Hutchinson, Supplies,	25 20
Frederick Andrews, Disinfectant,	1 50
Consolidated Fire Works Co., Standard Flags,	50 50
M. F. O'Loughlin, Material and Labor,	23 60
D. S. Dennison, 1 Set Encyclopedia Dict.,	22 00
A. J. Warner, Car Fare, Postage, etc.,	14 57
Silas A. Alden, Chart,	22 50
Dodge & Devanny, Material and Labor,	153 69
F. A. Smith, Supplies,	16 68
H. S. Russell, Material and Labor,	42 73
T. C. Northcott, Supplies,	4 50

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Z. A. Ward, Flag Staff Balls,	9 18
Boston & Albany R. R. Co., Freight,	1 73
Grace Eisner, Engrossing Diplomas,	12 60
Brentanos, 30 Parchment Diplomas,	4 80
C. W. Wright, Desk and Oak Chair,	17 50
M. T. Moore & Co., 2 Grates,	2 50
F. S. Blanchard & Co., 10 Mass. Year Books,	12 50
Emerson College, Books,	36 25
A. P. Alexander, Carpenter Work,	46 50
Peter Scharley, 1 Days' Labor,	2 50
Academy of Music, Rent of Academy,	53 50
W. B. Rice, 1 Stamp,	2 00
H. E. Holt, Charts,	12 00
W. S. Noble, Water Rates Junction School,	7 00
M. A. Marr, Shades and Holder,	6 00
H. B. Wellington, Use of Chairs, etc.,	35 75
E. B. Hume, Carpenter Work,	125 82
S. S. Wheeler, Photo and Etchings of Plans,	15 00
W. C. Stevenson, Supt., use of Magic Lantern,	5 00
Wm. Nugent, Salary as Secy. of Committee,	50 00
Geo. H. Denison, Salary One Week,	25 00
C. A. Byram, " " "	45 00
W. D. Goodwin, " " "	30 00
Allyn & Bacon, Supplies,	10 42
E. L. Kellogg & Co., Subscriptions,	6 50
Dr. W. H. Currier & Co., Supplies,	3 87
F. W. Staebner, Collection of Minerals,	76 00
American Crayon Co., Crayons,	10 00
F. A. Robbins, Clocks and Repairs,	14 75
Bovett & Noble, Plumbing Pontoosuc School,	184 00
Furness & Coggswell, Plumbing Linden Street School,	153 38
M. P. Gaylord, Carrying School Children, etc.,	105 00
Pittsfield Orchestral Club, Music,	7 00
Chas. Scribners Sons, Books,	6 25
T. H. Castor & Co., "	4 16
Thos. Y. Crowell & Co., "	6 75
A. M. Chapel, Repairs to Lawn Mower,	1 74
W. W. Carpenter, Repairs to Locks, etc.,	2 40
Sarah F. Dibble, Encyclopedia,	35 00
J. M. Linnehan & Co., Supplies,	53 48
Greenwood School Supply Co., Supplies,	2 50
Geo. S. Perry & Co., Supplies,	16 00
Pittsfield Rubber Co., "	3 42
Masury, Young & Co., Nodusto,	12 00
Cullen Bros., 1 Flag,	6 75

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Eureka Electric Co., Material and Labor,	24 08	
Berkshire Electric Co., " "	1 15	
N. E. O'Neill, Care of School Room,	11 25	
S. A. Ferry, " " "	14 00	
Frances Boland, " " ".	11 25	
Werner Book Co., Books,	1 44	
J. H. Orpha, Subscription to Vol. 4,	4 00	
H. T. Coates & Co., Supplies,	1 25	
Rand, McNally & Co., Supplies,	16 80	
Dinsmore & Baker, Germol and Cans,	19 30	
		$73,000 00

PECK'S ROAD WATER EXTENSION.—Loan.

Unexpended Balance Loan, 1895,	16
Unexpended.	

PONTOOSUC WATER EXTENSION.—Loan.

Unexpended Balance, 1895,	$8 93
Unexpended.	

PEARL STREET TOOL HOUSE.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$1,000 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$139 70	
Dodge & Devanny, Supplies,	11 55	
Chas. N. Read, Sand,	4 80	
J. C. Harding, Surveying,	6 19	
W. H. Clark, "	1 31	
Corneau & Hall, Brick Work,	420 59	
E. B. Hume, 327 ft. Fence at 93c., and extra work,	315 72	
Barker & Belden, Supplies,	35	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	4 50	
C. E. Merrill, Material and Labor,	10 16	
H. S. Russell, " " "	3 08	
		$917 95
Unexpended Balance,		$82 05

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POMEROY BRIDGE.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$8,000 00
" " "		900 00
		$8,900 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, ch. Board of Public Works Pay Roll,	$183 39	
E. D. Jones, expenses to Springfield,	2 59	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	26 90	
A. A. Fobes, Surveying,	86 20	
J. C. Harding, "	57 94	
Ivan Shepardson, "	7 12	
J. N. Tanner, "	18 37	
W. J. Devanny, "	16 88	
W. H. Clark, "	28 86	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	1 10	
A. A. Mills, "	63	
Pomeroy Store, "	1 57	
O. Root & Sons, Rubber Boots,	3 75	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	2 12	
Mary A. Bristol, Typewriting,	4 00	
Dodge & Devanny, Contract for Abutments,	4,300 17	
H. S. Russell, Examination of Plans,	5 00	
Chas. Millar & Sons, Pipe,	11 60	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., material and labor,	4 92	
C. E. Merrill, material and labor,	25 43	
R. F. Hawkins, payment on Iron bridge,	3,699 00	
		$8,487 54
Unexpended balance,		$412 46

PONTOOSUC AVENUE.

Appropriation,	$500 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,	2,750 00
	$3,250 00

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Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, pay roll,	$1,464 03	
F. G. Guilds & Co., Freight and Cartage,	40 25	
R. A. Teeling, Storage on Grain,	35 00	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	43	
R. F. Hawkins, Payment on Iron Bridge,	400 00	
A. Stearns, Stone,	21 77	
T. Hynes, "	110 46	
L. Leidhold, "	27 00	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	25 92	
Ivan Shepardson, Surveying,	27 75	
H. A. Clark, "	88	
W. S. Moore, "	44	
W. H. Clark, "	3 51	
A. A. Fobes, "	54 94	
J. C. Harding, "	7 87	
J. N. Tanner, "	7 50	
W. J. Devanny, "	47 24	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	28	
H. P. Lucas, "	18 10	
Barker & Belden, "	63	
Dodge & Devanny, "	102 04	
Talbot Bros., "	6 00	
J. H. & J. J. Enright, 3 pair Rubber Boots,	9 75	
O. Root & Sons, 2 pair hip " "	8 50	
H. S. Russell, Material and Labor on Bridge for Sidewalks,	33 13	
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	9 00	
W. H. Gross, 8 Stone Sills,	48 00	
C. E. Merrill, Material, Labor and Supplies,	25 92	
Chas. N. Read, Sand,	23 75	
H. S. Russell, Examination of Plans for Bridge,	5 00	
F. H. Printiss, Looking up Deeds,	50	
T. R. Glentz, Grade Stakes, etc.,	17 77	
S. S. Wheeler, 16 Photographs,	16 00	
C. M. Markham, Raising House,	530 00	
		$3,129 36
Unexpended Balance,		120 64

REPAIR OF BUILDINGS OTHER THAN SCHOOL HOUSES.

Appropriation,	$300 00

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Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$194 75	
City of Pittsfield, Material and Labor at Police Station,	8 76	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	25	
Patrick Fallon, "	3 40	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	1 45	
Barker & Belden, "	38	
E. S. Horton, Labor,	4 25	
T. R. Glentz, Material and Labor,	12 50	
J. H. Butler, Lumber,	74 26	
		$300 00
	$300 00	

REPAIR, CARE AND FLUSHING SEWERS.

Appropriation,		$500 00
Transfer from Bridge Repairs,		350 00
		$850 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$532 93	
Dodge & Devanny, Soil Pipe and Supplies,	35 88	
R. A. Teeling, 125 Bags,	15 00	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	4 05	
Geo. R. Barber, "	13 50	
H. P. Lucas, 1 Hand Cart and Repairs to Same,	23 00	
W. G. Backus Sons, Soil Pipe,	3 00	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Supplies,	11 30	
Peirson Hardware Co.,	5 85	
		$644 51
Unexpended Balance,		$205 49

RUSSELL'S SCHOOL HOUSE.—Loan.

Note P. M. Taylor, Boston,	$15,000 00
" Berkshire Life Ins Co.,	7,950 00
" Curtis & Motley, Boston,	2,000 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,	805 30
	$25,755 30

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Expended:		
Dodge & Devanny, Builders' Payments on Contract,	$12,119 84	
F. Irving Cooper, Architect,	496 23	
Smith & Anthony Co., Boilers,	910 00	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Heating and Ventilating,	3,023 15	
W. G. Backus Sons, Plumbing,	2,103 50	
W. A. Choate Co., Blackboards,	459 19	
Eagle Publishing Co., Advertising,	3 75	
E. D. Jones & Sons Co., Material and Labor,	8 48	
H. W. Partridge, Salary as Sec'y. of Com.,	150 00	
Berkshire Electric Co., Electric Wiring,	94 75	
D. C. Bedell, Inspector, Salary,	115 00	
City of Pittsfield, Water Connections,	40 42	
Johnson Temperature Regulating Co.,	327 25	
	$19,851 56	
Overdraft 1895,	5,903 74	$25,755 30

REPAIRS TO PEST HOUSE.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		$200 00
Expended:		
J. W. Clark, Chairman Overseers of Poor, Sundry Bills Paid,	$1 00	
J. P. O'Connoll, Material and Labor,	14 85	
Frank Roberts, Mason Work,	155 00	
		170 85
Unexpended balance,		$29 15

REPAIRS ON BURBANK AND TYLER STREETS.

Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses:		$2,500 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, pay roll,	$1,881 23	
Thomas H. Maloy, Contract for Grading,	405 15	
W. W. Carpenter, Repairs,	1 00	
Chas. N. Read, Sand,	1 60	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	4 50	
T. R. Glentz, Stakes,	10 75	
A. A. Mills, Supplies,	1 49	
H. P. Lucas, "	9 15	
Barker & Belden, Supplies,	55	

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Walter H. Clark, Surveying,	20 55	
Ivan Shepardson, "	15 38	
A. A. Fobes, "	52 89	
W. J. Devanny, "	14 07	
J. C. Harding, "	39 38	
W. S. Moore, "	8 75	
J. N. Tanner, "	1 13	
H. A. Clark, "	5 47	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	18 23	
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	1 40	
		$2,492 67
Unexpended balance,		$7 33

SEWER NOTES.

Paid from Sewer Assessments, Notes as follows:		
4 per cent. note, Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,	$8,000 00	
" " "	6,000 00	
		$14,000 00

STATE HIGHWAY.—Bills of 1895.

Appropriation,		$3,505 74
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		12 00
		$3,517 74
Expended:		
John S. Lane & Son, Crushed Stone,	$2,508 47	
C. E. Merrill, Material and Labor,	32 99	
C. M. Markham, "	21 93	
Dodge & Devanny, Supplies,	20 75	
A. A. Mills, "	3 51	
Peirson Hardware Co., "	3 53	
W. H. Gross, Marble,	40 33	
Wild Bros., Coping,	31 80	
J. H. Butler, Bridge Plank and Lumber,	52 35	
D. C. Bedell, 79 hours' labor at 35c.,	27 65	
Ira R. Lawson, Gravel,	249 45	
Hendrick,, Taylor & Warner, Labor,	298 03	
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, pay roll,	174 95	
J. H. Manning, Expenses of two members of Board of Public Works one trip, and self two trips, to Boston,	52 00	
	$3,517 74	$3,517 74

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TEMPORARY LOANS.

Received from Curtis & Motley, Boston,		$60,000 00
Berkshire Life Ins. Co.,		15,000 09
Housatonic Nat. Bank,		10,000 00
Zenas Crane,		10,000 00
W. C. Dalzell,		5,000 00
		$100,000 00
Paid Curtis & Motley, Boston,	$60,000 00	
Zenas Crane,	10,000 00	
Housatonic Nat. Bank,	10,000 00	$80,000 00
Balance outstanding,		$20,000 00

SURFACE DRAINAGE.

Appropriation,		$2,000 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		1,200 00
Transfer from Bridge Repairs,		2,500 00
		$5,700 00

Expended:

E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$2,861 20
S. G. Armstrong, Surveying,	20 62
Ivan Shepardson, "	19 50
A. A. Fobes, "	87 99
Walter H. Clark, "	42 87
W. J. Devanny, "	21 38
J. C. Harding, "	64 12
H. A. Clark, "	87
J. N. Tanner, "	6 37
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	1 35
E. W. Backman, "	6 42
Dodge & Devanny, Supplies, Cement, etc.,	934 70
Peirson Hardware Co., Supplies,	1 20
R. A. Rockwell, "	2 87
H. P. Lucas, "	5 85
Barker & Belden, "	8 18
A. A. Mills, "	3 11
Talbot Bros., "	10 00
C. E. Merrill, Material and Labor,	34 01
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	4 76
Furness & Coggswell, " " "	2 57
T. R. Glentz, Grade Stakes and Material and Labor,	33 75

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Barnes & Jenks, Blue Prints of Pollock Estate, etc.,	1 00	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	7 75	
Deely & O'Keefe, "	1 20	
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	23 99	
F. G. Guilds & Co., Cartage,	16 61	
Henry & Blain, Iron Flues,	89 40	
E. Williams, 1 Chisel,	15	
M. T. Moore, Manhole Castings,	70 34	
Chas. N. Read, Sand,	17 15	
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	254 25	
Jas. H. Butler, Lumber,	51 35	
E. L. Parker, "	19 36	
C. S. Ferry & Son, "	3 11	
Chas. Millar & Son, Pipe,	460 77	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., Freight,	4 80	
B. & A. R. R. Co., "	1 41	
J. F. Murphy, Rubber Boots,	11 25	
W. P. Griffen, Paving Stone,	17 02	
Wild Bros., Catch Basins,	414 00	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Tel'ms and Messengers,	1 64	
D. J. Sweet, Car Fare,	5 00	
Caleb Colvin, Catch Basin Covers,	12 00	
W. H. Gross, 3 Sills at $6.00,	18 00	
Pratt & Cady Co., Manhole Castings,	13 84	
W. H. Carberry, Catch Basin, Frame and Cover,	9 50	
Theo. Dellert, Oil,	51	
		$5,699 09
Unexpended Balance,		91

SOUTH STREET WATER EXTENSION.—Loan.

Unexpended Balance, 1895, Unexpended.	$51 57

STATE AID.

Appropriation,		$2,200 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		300 00
		$2,500 00
Expended:		
E. H. Kennedy, City Treasurer, Paid State Aid, Pay Roll,		$2,491 00
Unexpended Balance,		$9 00

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SOLDIERS RELIEF.

Appropriation,		$1,800 00
Transfer from Miscellaneous Expenses,		250 00
		$2,050 00

Expended:

Harriet T. Vosburgh,	Aid,	144 00
Mrs. Wm. Hogan,	"	144 00
Matilda Grippen,	"	35 00
Elizabeth H. Allen,	"	24 00
Samuel S. Kettell,	"	96 00
Lafayette Daley,	"	96 00
Juliett Wilson,	"	84 00
S. D. Arnold,	"	72 00
Joseph Guilett,	"	60 00
Mrs. H. D. Wells,	"	60 00
Margaret Reid,	"	60 00
R. B. Waite,	"	60 00
Johanna Hover,	"	20 00
Mrs. Nathaniel May,	"	48 00
Susan Kearney,	"	48 00
Timothy Drew,	"	48 00
Edward Mountain,	"	24 00
David Walker,	"	24 00
Amelia A. Reynolds,	"	66 00
J. M. Lee,	Supplies,	2 00
Garvin & Tanner,	"	35 45
Gilbert West & Son,	"	2 00
A. H. Harrison,	"	3 00
Coughlin & Walsh,	"	7 60
Boston Branch,	"	50 00
J. Sugden,	"	22 00
Max Vogel,	"	1 25
F. M. White,	"	11 20
M. P. Lawton & Son,	"	27 45
C. F. Smith,	"	3 50
O. Root & Son,	"	1 50
C. C. Gamwell,	"	8 80
Pease & Pratt,	"	6 50
Geo. W. Pease & Co.,	"	2 00
W. H. Currier & Co.,	Prescriptions,	2 00
F. A. Hull,	"	70
J. H. Manning,	"	1 15
Carl Hydren,	"	1 10
J. J. Murphy,	"	6 80

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Northampton Lunatic Hospital, Care of Insane,	42 25	
Mrs. Alfred Parkman, Care of Insane,	127 67	
J. W. Clark, Chairman Overseers of Poor, Payments from Emergent Fund,	33 41	
M. A. Church, Services as Nurse,	51 00	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	1 00	
J. C. Sprague, Moving,	1 25	
Commonwealth of Mass., Care,	84 96	
O. S. C. Haskins, "	42 25	
Town of Westfield, Support,	44 71	
City of New Bedford, "	46 71	
Town of Williamstown, "	60 47	
City of North Adams, "	3 90	
City of Springfield, "	16 71	
		$1,965 29
Unexpended balance,		$84 71

SEWER AND WATER CONNECTIONS.

Appropriation,		$2,000 00
Additional Appropriations,		2,250 00
		$4,250 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works Pay Roll,	$2,604 63	
Dodge & Devanny, Supplies,	563 50	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., "	219 44	
C. E. Merrill, "	5 00	
Peirson Hardware Co., "	9 83	
Eagle Publishing Co., "	4 50	
A. A. Mills, "	1 00	
Geo. T. Denny, "	2 75	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	10 80	
E. W. Backman, "	233 84	
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	1 40	
Chas. Millar & Son, Pipe,	517 78	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	23 14	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., Freight,	29 11	
B. & A. R. R. Co., Freight,	2 44	
C. M. Kemp Mfg. Co., 1 Racket Stock,	6 50	
O. Root & Sons, Rubber Boots,	3 75	
F. G. Guilds & Co., Freight and Cartage,	1 28	
Geo. A. Bidwell, Material and Labor,	7 65	
		$4,248 34
Unexpended Balance,		$1.66

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SIDEWALKS.

Appropriation,		$5,000 00
Transfer to Highways,		600 00
		$4,400 00

Expended:

E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$2,691 09	
T. R. Glentz, Material and Labor,	37 42	
S. N. & C. Russell Mfg. Co., Gravel,	70 70	
W. E. Tillotson, Gravel,	4 00	
W. Meehan, "	1 20	
W. F. Gale, "	7 60	
Monteaux & Clark, Recutting Roller,	3 00	
Howard & Morrow, ½ Doz. Shovels,	8 00	
C. E. Merrill, Supplies and Labor,	4 45	
Chas. N. Read, Sand and Gravel,	2 20	
B. & A. R. R. R. Co., Freight,	118 92	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., Freight,	7 50	
A. N. French, Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,	35	
Springfield Gas Light Co., Gas Tar,	665 25	
Pittsfield Lumber Co., 1 Flight Piazza Steps,	14 50	
N. Y. Flynt Granite Co., Stone,	10 94	
Dodge & Devanny, "	19 00	
H. C. Entler, Curbing,	16 09	
Mrs. Geo. Brown, Soil,	16 50	
Geo. Burbank, "	6 00	
W. G. Backus Sons, 2 Galvanized Iron Pails,	80	
Wm. Dunn, Gravel,	70	
Henry & Blain, 3 Flues,	75	
Warren Chemical Co., Asphalt,	78 79	
Dutton & Tucker, Supplies,	75	
Peirson Hardware Co., "	1 88	
H. P. Lucas, "	30 25	
Talbot Bros.. "	6 00	
A. A. Mills, "	1 71	
Barker & Belden, "	1 25	
S. G. Armstrong, Surveying,	16 60	
W. S. Moore, "	4 37	
H. A. Clark, "	1 75	
Ivan Shepardson, "	108 00	
H. D. Osgood, "	10 94	
W. J. Devanny, "	146 24	
A. A. Fobes, "	148 93	
W. H. Clark, "	11 39	

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J. C. Harding, Surveying,	2 25	
J. N. Tanner, "	7 13	
G. A. Murdock, "	7 50	
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	18 90	
E. W. Backman, "	57 60	
Barnes & Jenks, making Blue Prints,	1 00	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	15 85	
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	9 88	
		$4,395 92
Unexpended balance,		$4 08

WEST AND JOHN STREET SCHOOLHOUSE.—Loan.

Note, P. M. Taylor, Boston,		$10,000 00
Expended:		
C. W. Kellam, Builder, payment on contract,	$600 00	
N. L. Cain, Builder, payments on contract,	5,827 60	
Pierce & Brun, Architects,	44 68	
Eagle Pub. Co., Advertising,	6 62	
L. L. Atwood, Grading,	89 10	
D. C. Bedell, building Fence, Shingles and Cartage,	36 85	
Journal Printing Co., Advertising,	3 00	
Mary A. Bristol, Typewriting.	9 00	
Gilbert West, Lumber,	30 87	
C. E. Merrill, Use of Ties,	25 88	
City of Pittsfield, Water Connections,	27 23	
D. C. Bedell, Inspector, Salary,	325 00	
Thomas H. Maloy, Labor,	48 57	
Joseph Sloup, "	33 50	
Henry Helbig, "	29 25	
John Farrell, "	6 87	
Chas. Schultz, "	71 37	
Geo. O'Donnell, "	29 25	
Thomas Burke, "	6 62	
Michael Barry, "	10 53	
M. McMahon, "	8 75	
H. R. Davis, "	3 75	
Martin Dowd, "	8 75	
Geo. Paxton, "	2 75	
	$7,285 79	
Overdraft, 1895,	1,383 60	
		$8,669 39
Unexpended Balance, Loan,		$1,330 61

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WATER WORKS DEBT.

Appropriation,		$19,000 00
Expended:		
State St. Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Water Note,	$4,800 00	
National Bank of Redemption, Water Bond,	5,000 00	
Berkshire Life Ins. Co., Water Notes,	9,000 00	
Berkshire County Savings Bank, on Account Note,	200 00	
		$19,000 00

USE OF HYDRANTS.

Appropriation,		$5,190 00
Expended:		
City of Pittsfield, Water Rates,	$5,190 00	

WATER WORKS EXTENSION.

Appropriation,		$3,000 00
Water Loan Note,		10,000 00
" " "		9,000 00
		$22,000 00
Expended:		
E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$5,744 72	
Chas. Millar & Son, Pipe, etc.,	12,069 33	
J. M. Hatch, Services as Supt. Water Works,	450 00	
R. D. Wood & Co., Hydrants,	1,518 19	
R. W. Renfrew & Son, Supplies,	4 50	
Talbot Bros., "	23 33	
Peirson Hardware Co., "	136 82	
A. A. Mills, "	3 65	
W. G. Backus' Sons, "	4 15	
Dodge & Devanny, "	5 38	
Chadwick Lead Works, Pig Lead,	375 87	
Boston Lead Mfg. Co., " "	325 88	
J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	4 78	
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., Freight,	109 95	
B. & A. R. R. Co., Freight,	108 64	
F. G. Guilds & Co., Cartage,	198 94	

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A. N. French, Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,	16 70	
C. E. Merrill, Material and Labor,	5 19	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	23 74	
Furness & Coggswell, " " "	3 59	
Wm. Mahanna, Brick,	9 00	
Postal Tel. Cable Co., Telegrams,	6 54	
Henry & Blain, Canvass,	86	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	94 59	
Springfield Gas Light Co., Coke,	9 00	
S. G. Armstrong, Surveying,	46 50	
W. J. Devanny, "	84 37	
Ivan Shepardson, "	12 75	
H. D. Osgood, "	75	
A. A. Fobes, "	33 65	
J. C. Harding, "	47 66	
W. H. Clark, "	22 33	
W. S. Moore, "	8 30	
H. A. Clark, "	2 63	
J. N. Tanner, "	2 25	
E. W. Backman, Livery,	162 43	
		21,676 96
Unexpended balance,		$323 04

WATER WORKS MAINTENANCE.

Appropriation,	$7,000 00
Discount on Taxes, Town of Washington,	2 26
Additional Appropriation,	271 24
	$7,273 50

Expended:

E. D. Jones, Chairman Board of Public Works, Pay Roll,	$1,919 19	
A. N. French, Clerk, Payments from Emergent Fund,	24 95	
Walworth Mfg. Co., Corporation Cocks and Supplies,	111 21	
Chas. Millar & Son, Pipe,	174 39	
National Meter Co., Meters and Supplies,	488 30	
J. M. Hatch, Services as Supt. Water Works,	750 00	
Louis Cummings, Services as Inspector, Water Works,	785 00	
Peter Cummings, Blacksmithing,	27 47	
Robbins, Gamwell & Co., Material and Labor,	75 01	

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J. C. Sprague, Cartage,	18 11
Ralph Herie, "	75
Boston & Albany R. R. Co., Freight,	26 14
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co., "	3 71
G. W. Branch, Material and Labor,	11 51
C. E. Merrill, " "	60 40
H. S. Russell, " "	40
T. R. Glentz, " "	2 75
Geo. A. Bidwell, " "	1 85
M. T. Moore, 1 Cover,	1 79
Town of Washington, Taxes 1896,	45 36
Postal Telegraph Cable Co., Telegrams,	73
F. G. Guilds & Co., Freight and Cartage,	38 69
Pittsfield Coal Gas Co., Gas Light, Store House,	60
Wm.G. Backus Sons, 1150 feet roofing at 4c.,	46 00
John Corkhill, Painting and Lettering Signs,	4 50
Wm. Harrahy, Lunch for City Council, Ashley Lake,	16 15
A. M. Chapel, Material and Labor,	3 97
S. G. Armstrong, Surveying,	44 66
A. A. Fobes, "	114 23
Ivan Shepardson, "	17 25
H. D. Osgood, "	20 94
W. J. Devanny, "	55 12
J. C. Harding, "	34 88
Theo. W. Hill, "	3 25
Barnes & Jenks, "	7 50
W. S. Moore, "	87
Harry Ackley, "	3 00
J. N. Tanner, "	62 51
H. A. Clark, "	5 69
Geo. R. Barber, Livery,	73 20
E. W. Backman, "	169 53
Ashcroft Mfg. Co., Recording Chart,	5 00
O. Root & Sons, Rubber Boots,	23 25
J. H. & J. J. Enright, "	2 50
Eureka Electric Co., Putting Lights in Store House,	6 00
Globe Gas Light Co., Galolene Furnace,	6 00
Read & Burns, Ice,	6 00
Journal Printing Co., Advertising,	3 00
W. H. Gross, 25 Posts at 35c.,	8 75
H. H. Dewey, building 157 rod Fence, Mill Brook Dam,	75 84
D. H. Tower, Service as Expert Engineer,	22 50

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Eagle Pub. Co.,	Advertising and Supplies,	24 75	
Peirson Hardware Co.,	Supplies,	63 95	
Union Hardware Co.,	"	1 50	
Coughlin & Walsh,	"	37 15	
A. A. Mills,	"	7 18	
Geo. Blatchford,	"	1 30	
R. D. Wood & Co.,	"	69 60	
Dutton & Tucker,	"	50	
Library Bureau,	"	16 00	
C. C. Gamwell,	"	1 15	
W. H. Currier & Co.,	"	25	
Geo. T. Denny,	"	22 00	
Sun Printing Co.,	"	75 25	
Dodge & Devanny,	"	103 98	
			$5,834 96
Unexpended balance,			$1,438 54

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LOANS, TOTAL EXPENDED, APPROPRIATED, NOTES ISSUED AND TO ISSUE, AND BALANCES, FOR YEARS 1895 AND 1896.

New School Buildings.	Appropriated 1895.	Appropriated 1896.	Total.	Notes Issued.	Notes to Issue.	Expended 1895.	Expended 1896.	Total.	Unexpended Bal. Notes Iss'd
Elizabeth St. School House	$30,000.00	$9,000.00	$39,000.00	$38,000.00	$1,000.00	$10,541.22	$26,789.94	$37,328.16	$671.84
Russells School House	30,950.00	Transfer from Mis'ls. Expenses, 805.30	31,755.30	30,950.00		11,903.74	19,851.56	31,755.30	
West and John St. School House	25,000.00	9,000.000	34,000.00	15,000.00	19,000.00	6,383.60	7,285.79	13,669.39	1,330.61
High School Building	135,000.00	30,000.00	165,000.00	106,000.00 Rec'd. from sale of Powers Place. 37.00 106,037.00	59,000.00	18,445.23	86,526.72	104,971.95	1,065.05
Furniture for Elizabeth St. School House		1,500.00	1,500.00		1,500.00		1,500.00		
Furniture for Russells School House		1,400.00	1,400.00		1,400.00		1,400.00		

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CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL LOANS.

New High School Site and Addition to Same.

5 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	$15,900 00	
4 per cent. Note Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	1,500 00	
		$17,400 00

Enlarging Brick School House on Orchard Street.

4 per cent. Note Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	$3,800 00	
4 per cent. Note Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	2,200 00	
		$6,000 00

West and John Street School House.

5 per cent. Note City Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1896,	$5,000 00	
5½ per cent. Note Curtis & Motley, Boston, due July 1, 1897,	10,000 00	
		$15,000 00

Elizabeth Street School House.

5 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Ins. Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	$5,000 00	
5½ per cent. Note Curtis & Motley, Boston, due July 1, 1897,	10,000 00	
4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Ins. Co., due June 30, 1897,	8,000 00	
4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Ins. Co., due June 30, 1897,	7,000 00	
4½ per cent. Note Curtis & Motley, Boston, due Sept. 1, 1897,	8,000 00	
		$38,000 00

Russells School House.

4 per cent. Note Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	$6,000 00	
5½ per cent. Note Curtis & Motley, Boston, due July 1, 1897,	15,000 00	
4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Ins. Co., due June 30, 1897,	7,950 00	
4½ per cent. Note Curtis & Motley, Boston, due Sept. 1, 1897,	2,000 00	
		$30,950 00

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HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

5 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Ins. Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	$10,000 00	
5 per cent. Note, City Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1896,	5,000 00	
5½ per cent. Note, Curtis & Motley, Boston, due July 1, 1897,	15,000 00	
4 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Ins. Co., due June 30, 1897,	15,000 00	
5 per cent. Note, W. C. Dalzell, due March 1, 1897,	5,000 00	
6 per cent. Note, Agricultural Nat. Bank, on demand,	10,000 00	
6 per cent. Note, A. M. Atwater, due March 12, 1897,	10,000 00	
5 per cent. Note, Anna P. Walker, Jr., due Sept. 1, 1897,	5,000 00	
5 per cent. Note, Lucy W. Mallory, due Sept. 1, 1897,	5,000 00	
4½ per cent. Note, Curtis & Motley, Boston, due Sept. 1, 1897,	26,000 00	
		$106,000 00
Total,		$213,350 00

CITY DEBT AND PAYMENTS ON SAME.

NEW SEWER DEBT.

4 per cent. Bonds, $10,000, payable June 1st each year,	$230,000 00
4½ per cent. Note, Berkshire County Savings Bank, due Nov. 21, 1894,	10,000 00
4 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due July 11, 1895,	6,000 00
4 per cent. Berkshire Couty Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1895,	5,000 00
4 per cent. Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due July 1, 1896,	8,000 00
5 per cent. Berkshire Life Insurance Co., on demand,	15,000 00
4½ per cent. The Bearer, on demand,	2,000 00
	$276,000 00

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Payments:		
By Appropriation, Sewer Bonds, 21 to 30 inclusive, $1,000 each,	$10,000 00	
From Sewer Assessment, 4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co.,	8,000 00	
From Sewer Assessment, 4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co.,	6,000 00	
		$24,000 00
Balance 1897,		$252,000 00

WATER DEBT.

4 per cent. Bonds, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due May 1, 1916,	$50,000 00
4 per cent. Bonds, Berkshire County Savings Bank, due Nov. 1, 1908,	45,000 00
4 per cent. Gold Water Bonds, Funded,	90,000 00
4½ per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1895,	5,000 00
4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1895,	4,000 00
5 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	3,000 00
5 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	10,000 00
5 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	36,000 00
4 per cent. Note, State Street Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Boston, due Sept. 1, 1896,	4,800 00
5 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	30,000 00
5 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	10,000 00
4 per cent. Note Berkshire County Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1896,	2,000 00
4 per cent. Note Berkshire County Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1896,	1,500 00
5 per cent. Note, City Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1896,	5,000 00
6 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co., on demand,	10,000 00
4½ per cent. Note Curtis & Motley, Boston, due Sept. 1, 1897,	9,000 00
	$315,300 00

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Payments:		
4 per cent. Note, State Street Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Boston,	$4,800 00	
4 per cent. Gold Water Bond, National Bank of Redemption, Boston,	5,000 00	
4½ per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co.,	5,000 00	
4 per cent. Note Berkshire Life Insurance Co.,	4,000 00	
4 per cent. Note Berkshire County Savings Bank, on account of Note for $1,500 00,	200 00	
		$19,000 00
Balance, 1897,		$296,300 00

CITY DEBT AND PAYMENTS ON SAME.

School Debt.

5 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	$15,900 00
4 per cent. Note, Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	3,800 00
4 per cent. Note, Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	2,200 00
4 per cent. Note, Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	1,500 00
4 per cent. Note, Housatonic Nat. Bank, Stockbridge, due Sept. 1, 1896,	6,000 00
5 per cent. Note, City Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1896,	5,000 00
5 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	10,000 00
5 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due Sept. 1, 1897,	5,000 00
5 per cent, Note, City Savings Bank, due Sept. 1, 1896,	5,000 00
5½ per cent. Note, Curtis & Motley, Boston, due July 1, 1897,	25,000 00
5½ per cent. Note, Curtis & Motley, Boston, due July 1, 1897,	25,000 00
4 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due June 30, 1897,	8,000 00
4 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due June 30, 1897,	7,000 00

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4 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due June 30, 1897,		15,000 00
4 per cent. Note, Berkshire Life Insurance Co., due June 30, 1897,		7,950 00
5 per cent. Note, W. C. Dalzell, due March 1, 1897,		5,000 00
6 per cent. Agricultural National Bank, due on demand,		10,000 00
6 per cent. Note, The Bearer, due March 12, 1897,		10,000 00
5 per cent. Note, Anna P. Walker, due Sept. 1, 1897,		5,000 00
5 per cent. Note, Lucy W. Mallory, due Sept. 1, 1897,		5,000 00
4½ per cent, Note, Curtis & Motley, Boston, due Sept. 1, 1897,		26,000 00
4½ per cent. Note, Curtis & Motley, Boston, due Sept. 1, 1897,		2,000 00
4½ per cent. Note, Curtis & Motley, Boston, due, Sept. 1, 1897,		8,000 00
Balance, 1897,		$213,350 00

CITY LOAN OF 1894.

Berkshire Co. Savings Bank, Demand note,		$8,000 00
Paid Berkshire Co. Savings Bank,	$8,000 00	

TEMPORARY LOANS.

Borrowed in anticipation of Taxes, 1896,		$100,000 00
Payments,	$80,000 00	80,000 00
Balance, 1897,		$20,000 00

INTEREST.

Total for year,	$2,553 64

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DISCOUNT.

Metered Water Rates,	$2,050 93	
Water Rates,	5,967 04	
Taxes of 1895,	3 46	
Taxes of 1896,	6,219 09	
		$14,240 52

ABATEMENTS.

Water Rates,	$2,138 95	
Metered Water Rates,	95 22	
Sewer Assessment,	717 00	
Sidewalk Assessment,	130 51	
Cleaning Sidewalks on Police Notice,	6 55	
Pontoosuc Water Extension,	25 00	
Highway,	34 25	
Sidewalks,	1 80	
Miscellaneous,	119 72	
Sewer Apportioned,	78 02	
Sewer and Water Connections,	21 05	
Taxes of 1894,	996 37	
" 1895,	1,800 83	
" 1896,	2,337 79	
		$8,503 06

TAX COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT.

FRANK R. STRONG, Collector.

SIDEWALK ASSESSMENTS.

Balance Assessment of Dec. 15, 1892,	$161 55	
" " " Mch. 3, 1894,	144 88	
" " " Feb. 15, 1895,	350 30	
Assessment April 18, 1896,	2,160 90	
Interest,	31 07	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$2,127 46
Abatements,		130 51
Balance,		590 73
	$2,848 70	$2,848 70
Balance uncollected to 1897 Account,	$590 73	

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TAXES OF 1893.

Balance Account 1895,	$70 03	
Error,	02	
Interest,	13 17	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$83 22
	$83 22	$83 22

METERED WATER RATES.

Balance Account 1895,	$554 80	
Warrants from Board of Public Works,	10,752 36	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$8,869 41
Abatements,		95 22
Discount,		2,050 93
Balance,		291 60
	$11,307 16	$11,307 16
Balance uncollected to 1897 Account,	$291 60	

HIGHWAYS.

Balance 1895,	$132 10	
List of Bills from Board of Public Works,	5 33	
Cash Paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$11 00
Abatements,		34 25
Balance,		92 18
	$137 43	$137 43
Balance uncollected to 1897 account,	$92 18	

SEWER AND WATER CONNECTIONS.

Balance 1895,	$332 74	
List of Bills from Board of Public Works,	4,695 81	
Cash Paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$4,923 64
Abatements,		21 05
Transfer to Miscellaneous,		2 00
Error,		84
Balance,		81 02
	$5,028 55	$5,028 55
Balance uncollected to 1897 account,	$81 02	

PONTOOSUC WATER EXTENSION.

Balance 1895,	$25 00	
Abatement,		$25 00
	$25 00	$25 00

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CLEANING SIDEWALKS ON POLICE NOTICE.

Balance 1895,	$6 55	
Abatements,		$6 55
	$6 55	$6 55

SEWER ASSESSMENT.

Balance 1895,	$30,265 91	
Warrants,	6,878 28	
Additional Warrants,	8 55	
Sewer Charges,	216 66	
Interest,	940 77	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$18,425 80
Apportioned 1895,		1,897 68
" 1896,		2,595 55
Abatement,		717 00
Balance,		14,674 14
	$38,310 17	$38,310 17
Balance uncollected to 1897 account,	$14,674 14	

SEWER ASSESSMENT APPORTIONED.

Balance 1895,	$636 00	
Warrant 1896,	2,595 55	
Interest,	22 81	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas., with Taxes of 1895,		$436 10
Cash Credit to Sewer Assessment 1895,		108 39
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas., with Taxes of 1896,		1,759 66
Abatement,		78 02
Balance,		872 19
	$3,254 36	$3,254 36
Balance uncollected to 1897 account,	$872 19	

TAXES OF 1894.

Balance, 1895,	$7,604 71	
Interest,	676 35	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.		$7,186 09
Abatement,		996 37
Balance,		98 60
	$7,281 06	$7,281 06
Balance uncollected to 1897 account,	$98 60	

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TAXES OF 1895.

Balance,	$27,882 52	
Paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas., with Taxes of 1895, Amount of Sewer apportioned collected in 1895,	1,261 68	
Error in Warrant, 1895,	09	
Balance uncollected, 1895,	$29,144 29	
Additional Warrant, 1896,	24 54	
Interest,	761 38	
Amount of Sewer Apportioned collected and credited to Taxes of 1895,	436 10	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$22,961 28
Abatement,		1,800 83
Discount,		3 46
Balance,		5,600 74
	$30,366 31	$30,366 31
Balance uncollected to 1897 account,	$5,600 74	

TAXES OF 1896.

Warrant,	$272,456 32	
Additional Warrant,	1,293 73	
Interest,	108 09	
Amount of Sewer Apportioned Collected, and Credited to Taxes of 1896,	1,759 66	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treasurer,		$225,212 18
Abatement,		2,337 79
Discount,		6,219 09
Balance,		41,848 74
	$275,617 80	$275,617 80
Balance uncollected to 1897, Account,	$41,848 74	

WATER RATES.

Balance, 1895,	$ 2,356 08	
Warrant, 1896,	42,914 65	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treasurer,		$33,008 33
Abatement,		2,136 95
Abatement Refund,		2 00
Discount,		5,967 04
Balance,		4,156 41
	$45,270 73	$45,270 73
Balance uncollected to 1897, Account,	$4,156 41	

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SIDEWALKS.

Balance 1895,	$13 90	
List of Bills from Board of Public Works,	6 60	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$12 10
Abatement,		1 80
Balance,		6 60
	$20 50	$20 50
Balance uncollected to 1897 Account,	$6 60	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Balance 1895,	$749 05	
List of Bills from Board of Public Works,	1,179 74	
Transfer Sewer and Water Connections,	2 00	
Cash paid E. H. Kennedy, City Treas.,		$822 17
Abatement,		119 72
Balance,		988 90
	$1,930 79	$1,930 79
Balance uncollected to 1897 Account,	$988 90	

PAY ROLL OF ELECTION OFFICERS.

Ward 1.		
James D. Shipton,	$5 00	
James O. Purnell,	10 00	
George B. Teeling,	10 00	
Timothy Coakley,	10 00	
Wm. R. Butler,	10 00	
John Warner,	10 00	
Edward O'Brien,	10 00	
Michael Guiltnan,	10 00	
James G. McArthur,	8 00	
Michael W. Grady,	6 00	
Daniel Barry,	6 00	
Olin T. Benedict,	3 00	
William H. Harvey,	3 00	
John Harvey,	3 00	
		$104 00
Ward 2.		
Michael Casey,	$10 00	
Chas. W. Sloper,	10 00	
George Shipton, Jr.,	10 00	
George B. Coggswell,	10 00	

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Michael F. O'Loughlin,	10 00	
John Farley,	10 00	
Edward J. Tower,	10 00	
Charles S. Pratt,	10 00	
John J. Bastion,	6 00	
John E. Fahey,	6 00	
Louis E. Colburn,	6 00	
James C. McGowan,	6 00	
		$104 00
Ward 3.		
Marcus T. Moore,	$10 00	
Horace T. Combs,	10 00	
John A. Holland,	10 00	
John M. Lee,	10 00	
Bartley Cummings, Jr.,	10 00	
Edward M. Bridges,	10 00	
Thomas L. Jones,	10 00	
John J. McLaughlin,	8 00	
John W. Clark,	6 00	
Harvey C. Glentz,	6 00	
James Kiley,	6 00	
John O'Connell,	5 00	
John Coy,	3 00	
		$104 00
Ward 4.		
Ed. S. Davenport,	$10 00	
F. M. Platt,	10 00	
Wm. M. Prince,	10 00	
Wm. O. Smith,	10 00	
N. J. Lawton,	10 00	
Walter Dutton,	10 00	
L. H. Gamwell, Jr,,	10 00	
Clement Coogan,	10 00	
F. D. Sprague,	6 00	
C. L. Hibbard,	6 00	
H. S. Plumb,	3 00	
W. H. Barrows,	6 00	
F. A. Cooley,	3 00	
		$104 00
Ward 5.		
Thomas E. Hall,	$10 00	
John J. Ryan,	10 00	
Franklin A. Smith,	10 00	
William J. Cullen,	10 00	
Edward M. Burke,	10 00	
Clinton B. Burke,	10 00	
Wesley G. Burt,	10 00	
Walter E. K. Joclyn,	6 00	

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Joseph Mandeville,	6 00	
Edward S. Wilson,	6 00	
Albert N. Shaw,	6 00	
John C. Morrow,	5 00	
Frank E. Peirson,	5 00	
		$104 00
Ward 6.		
James F. Cain,	$10 00	
Francis McMahon,	10 00	
H. C. Morris,	10 00	
C. K. Harrington,	10 00	
Thos. R. Brown,	10 00	
Wm. F. Tower,	10 00	
Frank M. Dolan,	10 00	
Daniel F. Farrell,	10 00	
Wm. H. Cummings,	6 00	
Edward T. Joyce,	6 00	
Gilbert A. Booth, Jr.,	6 00	
Albert G. French,	3 00	
Wm. F. Harrington,	3 00	
		$104 00
Ward 7.		
Edgar T. Lawrence,	$10 00	
George G. Wollison,	10 00	
Louis K. Willis,	10 00	
John J. Nelligan,	10 00	
Dwight A. Clark,	10 00	
John M. Trimble,	10 00	
Richard Stapleton,	10 00	
Frederick Andrews,	10 00	
Marshall Wellington,	6 00	
Jerry Coonley,	6 00	
John C. Kelly,	6 00	
Charles H. Wright,	3 00	
Frank W. Manning,	3 00	
		$104 00
		$728 00

LEDGER BALANCE, FEB. 1, 1897.

	Dr.	Cr.
City of Pittsfield,		$68,120 24
City Treasurer,	$19,723 07	
Temporary Loan,		$20,000 00

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Sidewalk Assessment,	$590 73	
Taxes of 1894,	98 60	
" " 1895,	5,600 74	
Metered Water Rates,	291 60	
Water Rates,	4,156 41	
Highway,	92 18	
Sewer and Water Connections,	81 02	
Sidewalks,	6 60	
Miscellaneous,	988 90	
Sewers Apportioned,	872 19	
Taxes of 1896,	41,848 74	
Sewer Assessments,	14,674 14	
Elizabeth Street School House,		671 84
Furniture for Russell's School House,	1,400 00	
Furniture for Elizabeth Street School House,	1,500 00	
High School Building,		1,065 05
School Loan,		213,350 00
Water Loan,		296,300 00
New Sewer Loan,		252,000 00
Peck's Road Water Extension,		16
Hancock Road " "		305 77
South Street " "		51 57
Dawes Ave. " "		14 16
New High School Site,		377 18
West and John Street School House,		1,330 61
New Sewers,	355 38	
Hathaway Brook,		11 75
Pontoosuc Water Extension,		8 93
Bonds and Notes,	761,650 00	
Water Works Extension,		323 04
	$853,930 30	$853,930 30

SCHEDULE OF CITY PROPERTY.

High School.		
Building,	$20,000 00	
Land, 1¼ acres,	8,000 00	$28,000 00
Linden Street School.		
Building,	40,000 00	
Land, ⅝ acre,	2,500 00	42,500 00
Fenn Street School.		
Building,	32,000 00	
Land, 248x150 feet,	10,000 00	42,000 00

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Morningside School.		
Building,	20,500 00	
Land, ⅗ acre,	3,500 00	
		24,000 00
Center Grammar School.		
Building,	8,000 00	
New lot,	7,000 00	
Old lot, 152x83 feet,	6,000 00	
		21,000 00
Orchard Street School.		
Two Buildings,	11,000 00	
Land, 200x200 feet,	6,000 00	
		17,000 00
Stearnsville School.		
New Building,	11,500 00	
Land, ⅓ acre,	100 00	
		11,600 00
Pontoosuc School.		
Building,	10,800 00	
Land, ½ acre,	200 00	
		11,000 00
Elizabeth Street School.		
Building,	4,000 00	
Land,	3,000 00	
		7,000 00
Russells School.		
Building,	4,000 00	
Land, ⅖ acre,	800 00	
		4,800 00
Junction School.		
Building,	4,000 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	500 00	
		4,500 00
Silver Lake School.		
Building,	1,000 00	
Land, 170x100 feet,	2,000 00	
		3,000 00
West Street School:		
Building,	1,500 00	
Land, 5-16 acre,	1,500 00	
		3,000 00
Onota Street School:		
Building,	1,000 00	
Land, 200x166 feet,	1,000 00	
		2,000 00
Barkerville School:		
Building,	1,500 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	100 00	
		1,600 00

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Osceola School:		
Building,	1,000 00	
Land, ½ acre,	100 00	
		1,100 00
Peck's School:		
Building,	900 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	100 00	
		1,000 00
Coltsville School:		
Building,	600 00	
Land, ⅕ acre,	100 00	
		700 00
Morewood School:		
Building,	500 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	100 00	
		600 00
West Part School:		
Building,	500 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	100 00	
		600 00
Holmes School:		
Building,	400 00	
Land, ⅕ acre,	100 00	
		500 00
Taylor School:		
Building,	400 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	50 00	
		450 00
Tracy School:		
Building,	400 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	50 00	
		450 00
Shaker School:		
Building,	300 00	
Land, ⅓ acre,	100 00	
		400 00
Sykes School:		
Building,	300 00	
Land, ⅛ acre,	50 00	
		$350 00
Francis Ave. School (unoccupied)		
Building,	1,000 00	
Land 132x132 feet,	3,500 00	
		4,500 00
North Pearl Street School (unoccupied)		
Building,	400 00	
Land 132x106 feet,	3,000 00	
		3,400 00

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Union Street School (unoccupied)		
Building,	800 00	
Land 132x62 feet,	2,000 00	
		2,800 00
Total Real Estate,		239,850 00
School Furniture, Books, Apparatus, etc.,		5,000 00
		244,850 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

No. 1 Engine House,	$2,500 00	
Store House and Hose Tower,	2,500 00	
Land occupied by the above three buildings, 100x71 feet,	8,000 00	
		13,000 00
No. 2 Engine House,	1,000 00	
Land 100 x 75 feet,	3,000 00	
		4,000 00
No. 3 Engine House,	7,000 00	
Land,	6,000 00	
		13,000 00
		30,000 00
No. 1 Steamer, hose, implements, etc.,	4,272 00	
No. 2 " " " "	4,000 00	
No. 3 " " " "	5,500 00	
Hook and Ladder, Truck and Apparatus,	2,140 00	
Protective Company's Truck and Apparatus,	720 00	
Store House, Fixtures, Tools, etc.,	3,500 00	
Property in Chief Engineer's Office,	60 00	
Fire Alarm Telegraph System,	5,500 00	
Old Hand Engine, Housatonic,	100 00	
Old " " Pontoosuc,	100 00	
		25,892 00
		$55,892 00

ALMSHOUSE.

Home Farm, 80 Acres,	$2,400 00	
Buildings,	15,000 00	
Mountain Lot, 10 Acres,	150 00	
Mountain House Lot, 10 Acres,	150 00	
Quarry Lot,	600 00	
Pest House and Furniture,	2,000 00	
Furniture, etc., in Almshouse,	500 00	
Live Stock on Farm,	350 00	
Wagons, Carts and Farming Tools,	190 00	
		$21,340 00

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WATERWORKS.

Construction,	$320,000 00	
Pipe Tools, etc.,	3,000 00	
1 Cameron Steam Pump,	300 00	
1 Boiler and Chimney,	200 00	
1 Excavating Pump,	165 00	
Pipe, Gate, etc.,	320 00	
		$323,985 00

CITY HALL.

City Lot, 215x72 feet,	$30,000 00	
Building,	8,000 00	
Police Station on City Lot,	3,500 00	
Hay Scales at Station,	200 00	
Tool House,	300 00	
Personal Property in City Hall,	2,300 00	
		$44,300 00

PUBLIC PARKS.

Central Park, Park Square,	$75,000 00	
Common on First St.,	35,000 00	
Burbank Park, Onota Lake,	4,500 00	
		$114,500 00

GRAVEL BEDS.

1 Acre near Jordan's, West Part,	$300 00	
Beds near Amos Chapman's, North Woods,	100 00	
Bed near Shakers,	100 00	
Bed near Hungerford's Stone Shop.	100 00	
		$600 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

1 Steam Road Roller,	$4,000 00	
1 Stone Crusher,	2,000 00	
Tool House, North Pearl Street,	650 00	
4 Champion Road Scrapers,	500 00	
2 Four-Wheel Dump Carts,	275 00	
Type for Printing Voters' Lists,	160 00	
1 Horse Road Roller,	100 00	
Small Tools,	100 00	
3 Two-Wheel Road Scrapers,	75 00	
3 Hand Road Scrapers,	25 00	
		$7,885 00

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SUMMARY.

School Department,	$244,850 00	
Fire Department,	55,892 00	
Almshouse,	21,340 00	
Water Department,	323,985 00	
City Hall,	44,300 00	
Public Parks,	114,500 00	
Gravel Beds,	600 00	
Miscellaneous,	7,885 00	
		$813,352 00

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Report of Finance Committee.

The Committee appointed by the Committee on Finance to audit the accouuts of the various city officers and departments, said Committee having been duly appointed by the Mayor as a sub committee from the Finance Committee for the above mentioned purpose, report that we have examined the books of the Collector of Taxes, the City Auditor, the Board of Public Works, Overseers of the Poor, the School Committee, the City Treasurer and the City Clerk, and find that as far as we can see, they are thoroughly correct and agree with each other in every instance.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. D. MACINNES,
L. A. STEVENS,
DANIEL ENGLAND,
} Committee.

Pittsfield, March 1, 1897.

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List of City Officers

SINCE FORMATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

CITY OFFICERS, 1891.

MAYOR, CHARLES E. HIBBARD.

ALDERMEN.

President, Jabez L. Peck.*
Ward One, Peter P. Curtin.
" Two, Andrew J. White.
" Three, Jabez L. Peck.*
" Four, David Clary.*
Robert W. Adam.
" Five, Charles I. Lincoln.
" Six, Edward Cain.
" Seven, Charles C. Wright.

COMMON COUNCIL.

President, Edward T. Slocum.
Ward One, John Churchill, David Rosenhein.
" Two, John J. Bastion, Duncan C. MacInnes.
" Three, George W. Smith, John M. Lee.
" Four, Edward T. Slocum, Joseph Foot.*
" Five, George T. Denny, Hiram M. Chapman.
" Six, John R. Feeley, Edward B. Mead.*
" Seven, Edward B. Wilson, Edgar T. Lawrence.
City Clerk, Kelton B. Miller.
City Treasurer, Erwin H. Kennedy.
City Auditor, George Y. Learned.
City Solicitor, Walter F. Hawkins.
Tax Collector. E. McAlpine Learned.
City Physician, William M. Mercer.
Assessors. Henry R. Peirson, William M. Clark, John A. Root.

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Board of Public Works, Edward D. Jones, Joseph H. Daly, Hiram B. Wellington.
Board of Health, Stephen C. Burton, John J. Nelllgan, Morgan L. Woodruff.
Overseers of the Poor, John W. Clark, William Nugent, Edgar M. Fisher.

CITY OFFICERS, 1892.

Mayor, JABEZ L. PECK.*

ALDERMEN.

President, Robert W. Adam.
Ward One, James Buntin.
" Two, Samuel Bridges.
" Three, George W. Smith.
" Four, Robert W. Adam.
" Five, Theodore L. Pomeroy.
" Six, William P. Wood.
" Seven, Edgar T. Lawrence.

COMMON COUNCIL.

President, Arthur H. Rice.
Ward One, John Churchill, Thomas Martin.
" Two, John J. Bastion, James H. May.
" Three, Franklin F. Read, Jr., James H. Butler.
" Four, Arthur H. Rice, Henry H. Richardson.
" Five, George T. Denny, Edward D. Norton.
" Six, John R. Feeley, John A. Langdon.*
" Seven, Edward B. Wilson, William T. Petherbridge.
City Clerk, Kelton B. Miller.
City Treasurer, Erwin H. Kennedy.
City Auditor, George Y. Learned.
City Solicitor, Walter F. Hawkins.
Tax Collector, Harry D. Sisson.
City Physician, William M. Mercer.
Assessors, John A. Root, Henry R. Peirson, William M. Clark.
Board of Public Works, Edward D. Jones, Joseph H. Daly, Hezekiah S. Russell.

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Board of Health, Stephen C. Burton, John J. Nelligan, Morgan L. Woodruff.

Overseers of the Poor, John W. Clark, William Nugent, George W. Smith.

CITY OFFICERS, 1893.

MAYOR, JABEZ L. PECK.*

ALDERMEN.

President, Edgar T. Lawrence.

Ward One, David Rosenhein.
" Two, Louis B. Simon.
" Three, Franklin F. Read, Jr.
" Four, Arthur H. Rice.
" Five, Albert N. Parker.
" Six, John R. Feeley.
" Seven, Edgar T. Lawrence.

COMMON COUNCIL.

President, John N. Root.

Ward One, Frederick Treat, John Warner.
" Two, John N. Root, Edward H. Cullen.
" Three, James H. Butler, Adison M. Chapel.
" Four, William P. Griffin, Henry P. Lucas.
" Five, Freeman Jordan, James E. Murphy.
" Six, Andrew J. Doyle, August Schurmeyer.
" Seven, Edward B. Wilson, William Waterman.

City Clerk, Kelton B. Miller.

City Treasurer, Erwin H. Kennedy.

City Auditor, George Y. Learned.

City Solititor, Walter F. Hawkins.

Tax Collector, Harry D. Sisson.

City Physician, William H. Mercer.

Assessors, Henry R. Pierson, William M. Clark, John A. Root.

Board of Public Works, Edward D. Jones, Joseph H. Daly, Hezekiah S. Russell.

Board of Health, Stephen C. Burton, John J. Nelligan, Morgan L. Woodruff.

Overseers of the Poor, John W. Clark, William Nugent, George W. Smith.

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CITY OFFICERS, 1894.

MAYOR, JOHN C. CROSBY,

ALDERMEN.

President, Arthur H. Rice.
Ward One, Rufus A. Teeling.
" Two, George Shipton.
" Three, James H. Butler.
" Four, Arthur H. Rice.
" Five, James E. Murphy.
" Six, John R. Feeley.
" Seven, Edward B. Wilson.

COMMON COUNCIL.

President, William P. Griffin.
Ward One, John Warner, Michael H. Keenan.
" Two, Elbridge M. Annis. Eugene W. Backman.
" Three, Adison M. Chapel, Ulysses G. Loynes
" Four, William P. Griffen, Henry P. Lucas.
" Five, Hiram M. Chapman, James Barnett.
" Six, James H. May, Patrick Condron.
" Seven, Charles E. Johnson, Edward F. Rice.
City Clerk, Edward C. Hill.
City Treasurer, Erwin H Kennedy.
City Auditor, George Y. Learned.
City Solicitor, Walter F. Hawkins.
City Physician, Dr. W. M. Mercer.
Collector of Taxes, Harry D. Sisson.
Inspector of Buildings, Edward J. Cowell.
Assessors, William M. Clark, John A. Root, Frederick S. Parker.
Board of Public Works, Edward D. G. Jones, Hezekiah S. Russell, Joseph H. Daly.
Board of Health. Dr. Stephen C. Burton, Dr. Morgan L. Woodruff, John J. Nelligan.
Sewer Commissioners, John H. Manning, Charles W. Kellogg, James L. Bacon.
Overseers of the Poor, John W. Clark, George W. Smith, William Nugent.

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CITY OFFICERS, 1895.

MAYOR, JOHN C. CROSBY,

ALDERMEN.

President, John R. Feeley.
Ward One, John H. Warner.
" Two, John Churchill.
" Three, William P. Lee.
" Four, Arthur H. Hall.
" Five, Albert N. Parker.
" Six, John R. Feeley.
" Seven, Orlando S. Fish.

COMMON COUNCIL.

President, Harvey W. Partridge.
Ward One, Michael H. Keenan, Peter Burns.
" Two, Arthur Wright, George H. Brodie.
" Three, Frank H. Smith, Jr., Henry F. Vinette.
" Four, Harvey W. Partridge, Newton A. Mills.
" Five, Joseph Heaton, Thomas E. Hall.
" Six, Patrick Condron, James H. May.
" Seven, Thaddeus Z. Ayers, Charles E. Johnson.
City Clerk, Edward Cain.
City Treasurer, Erwin H. Kennedy.
City Auditor, George Y. Learned.
City Solicitor, Walter F. Hawkins.
City Physician, Dr. William M. Mercer.
Collector of Taxes, William F. Francis.
Inspector of Buildings, Edward J. Cowell.
Assessors, William M. Clark, Frederick S. Parker, James H. May.
Board of Public Works, Edward D. G. Jones, John M. Lee, Joseph H. Daly.
Board of Health, Dr. Stephen C. Burton, Dr. Morgan L. Woodruff, John J. Nelligan.
Overseers of the Poor, John W. Clark, Charles D. Beebe, William Nugent.

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CITY COUNCIL, 1896.

MAYOR, WALTER F. HAWKINS.

ALDERMEN.

President, Emory H. Nash.
Ward One, J. Harvey Smith.
" Two, Emory H. Nash.
" Three, Theodore R. Glentz.
" Four, William D. MacInnes.
" Five, Thomas E. Hall.
" Six, Maurice W. Landers.
" Seven, Arthur A. Mills.

COMMON COUNCIL.

President, Levi A. Stevens.
Ward One, Charles Daniels, George D. Parker.
" Two, Charles M. Markham, A. T. Stewart Williams.
" Three, Winthrop D. Crosier, William H. Owen.
" Four, Newton A. Mills, Levi A. Stevens.
" Five, Henry F. Myers, Henry Traver, Jr.
" Six, Edward B. Mead,* Patrick J. Moore.
" Seven, John Feeley, David C. Smith.
City Clerk, Edward C. Hill.
City Treasurer, Erwin H. Kennedy.
City Auditor, George Y. Learned.
City Solicitor, John F. Noxon.
City Physician, Dr. W. M. Mercer.
Collector of Taxes, Frank R. Strong.
Inspector of Buildings, Edward J. Cowell.
Assessors, William M. Clark, Frederick S. Parker, Harry D. Sisson.
Board of Public Works, Edward D. G. Jones, John H. Manning, James L. Bacon.
Board of Health, Dr. Stephen C. Burton, Dr. Morgan L. Woodruff, George A. Prediger.
Overseers of the Poor, John W. Clark, William Nugent, Charles D. Beebe.

*Deceased.

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